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PIRATES KILLED H.M.S. CICALA INTERVENES Three Of Gang Shot Dead In West River Drama

TWO DIE ATTEMPTING TO ESCAPE, SWIMMING BID TO RUSH BRIDGE OF "TIN SANG" STOPPED

Three pirates shot dead, two of them whilst swimming in the West River in a desperate bid for freedom, and two captured by bluejackets from the British gunboat, H.M.S. Cicala, was the sensational outcome of an attempt yesterday afternoon to carry out a piracy aboard the s.s. Tin Sang.

The Cicala intervened after a preliminary shooting affray in which one pirate was killed by one of the ship's guards, putting an armed guard on board the Tin Sang and escorting the ship to Shiu Hing, where, four hours later, five pirates made a bid to escape, upon which two were shot dead in the water, two were captured and one escaped.

The Tin Sang was bound from Canton to Wuchow and was running between Sam Shiu and How Lik when the pirates assembled and attempted to rush the ship.

An alert guard gave warning and the exploit was immediately doomed to failure, though there were some minutes of sharp firing in which one of the pirates was killed. Two others jumped overboard on seeing that the game was up and presumably made their escape.

H.M.S. Cicala cruising in the river close by was asked by the master of the Tin Sang for assistance, in the belief that other members of the pirate gang were aboard, and a contingent of blue-jackets were placed on board the Tin Sang.

FIVE MORE JUMP OVERBOARD

The ships then proceeded up the river towards Shiu Hing, the Cicala having previously communicated by radio with the police authorities in the port and asked them to be prepared for an exhaustive search of the Tin Sang on her arrival.

At about 9 o'clock last night, as the Tin Sang was nearing Shiu Hing, five more of the pirates made an attempt to escape, jumping into the river from the steamer and swimming for the shore.

The Cicala put down an armed boat's crew in pursuit while guards on board the Tin Sang opened fire on the fugitives.

FIRE OPENED

Fire was also opened on them from the Cicala boat, and two men were killed. Two surrendered to the Cicala boat and the fifth man apparently eluded pursuit, though he was not seen again and it is possible that he was drowned.

The Cicala then escorted the Tin Sang into Shiu Hing where police began to go methodically through the passengers for other possible members of the gang.

The Tin Sang is a river steamer of about 400 tons, formerly named the Tin Ting and owned by the Fook On Steamship Company, Ltd. She was built in 1904.

POPE AGAIN UNWELL

Rome, To-day.

The Pope has had a slight return of the symptoms which caused a relapse last Winter.

The Vatican physicians state that the pain experienced by His Holiness was due to the hot weather and would disappear after a few days' rest.—Reuter.

DUKE OF WINDSOR IN MINOR MISHAP

Vienna, To-day.

A tramcar struck the rear of the motor-car in which the Duke and Duchess of Windsor arrived yesterday evening at Salzburg for the music festival.

The car was manoeuvring into position outside a hotel when the accident occurred.

The tram, travelling at low speed, struck the mudguard.

The Duke and Duchess were unhurt and arrived here from Waserleonburg.—Reuter.

It is notified that Monsieur Albert Cadol, Consul for France at Hong Kong has assumed charge of the French Consulate.

REBELS SUFFER DISASTROUS LOSSES

Madrid, To-day.

The insurgents have sustained great losses in the operations of the past few days, some units losing half their effectives, states a communique issued by the Madrid Defence Ministry.

The communique adds that the insurgent artillery and infantry attacked the edge of the Guadarama mountains, obtaining no positive results.

The Government launched a strong counter-attack, and Republican aeroplanes bombed a number of towns, concentrating their bombs on aerodromes and railway stations. A number of planes on the ground were destroyed.—Reuter.

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SAFETY DEVICES IN THE AIR

A big flying-boat, taxiing and manoeuvring on the surface of the water, becomes to all intents and purposes a marine vessel; which brings to light an interesting point. Official regulations, of course, call for the carriage of life-belts in ships; but in an aircraft, remembering that every ounce of weight tells, it would not be feasible to carry any ordinary type of life-belt. It would be too bulky and heavy.

After eighteen months' research, the experts of Imperial Airways have evolved a 'seat-cum-life-belt' device which has been adapted specially for use in the Company's Empire flying-boats.

The apparatus consists of cushions which are constructed internally of rubber in separate compartments on the 'float-on-air' principle. These form the seat-cushion and back-cushion in each air-liner chair, and, in addition to providing a high degree of comfort in ordinary use, can be converted in ten seconds into a life-belt capable of supporting a couple of people in the water. And yet the complete apparatus weighs only five pounds.

European Aerial Cruises

Aerial cruises above Europe, lasting for anything from eight to twenty-two days, are a feature of this summer's flying programmes. The experts of Imperial Airways have worked out a number of fascinating trips, designed to meet the varying tastes of holiday travellers.

An American aeroplane which had been kept in a hangar at Le Bourget aerodrome since November has mysteriously disappeared.

Importance Of Radio To Modern Commercial Air Routes

One of the most interesting aspects of modern flying is the growing importance of wireless in the operation of commercial air services. All the remarkable developments which have taken place in the application of wireless to aviation have been accomplished within a period of twenty-five years. This summer will actually see the twenty-fifth anniversary of a first series of tests in England, in which an aeroplane pilot, with a transmitting key strapped to his knee, flew round and round above a grand station in an early biplane of a box-kite type, tapping out Morse messages which were picked up by the operator below. Further experiments followed, and then the Great War brought rapid progress in wireless, as it did in so many other technical directions.

Early Apparatus

After the War, as soon as commercial air services began between London and the Continent, experiments were commenced with a view to evolving a reliable light-weight receiving and transmitting apparatus which could be installed in civil aircraft. For this purpose, test apparatus was placed in some of the twin-engined aeroplanes operating between London and Paris; and before long sets were evolved, and fitted in British airliners, which fulfilled the dual need of lightness and dependability.

From these small beginnings has grown the wireless network of the present day, with stations stretching not only over Europe but across the Empire, and with aircraft signalling their progress, stage by stage, as they fly along their scheduled routes.

On The Atlantic

Modern development work, in wireless on the airways, is illus-

trated by the success achieved in short-wave communication between the new Imperial Airways flying-boats of the 'C' class and ground stations.

When 'Caledonia'—one of the two special long-range flying-boats—made her first nonstop flight between Southampton and Alexandria, she was in wireless touch with London throughout her entire flight. Her operator, when more than 2,000 miles away, was able to describe the moment when Alexandria came into view; and those sitting in London, listening to his messages, followed the movements of the aircraft as she circled round and then came gliding down, the operator's final message being flashed through to London just as she touched the surface of the water.

The latest phase in wireless progress is seen in the preparations which are now in hand for preliminary commercial flying on the North Atlantic.

14,500 MILES IN 17 DAYS

Among the passengers on the C.N.A.C. plane which arrived from Shanghai yesterday was Mr. W. L. Young, the Chairman of the Cape Town Wool Exchange.

Mr. Young has been attending important conferences in Japan and has to be in Cape Town for another conference early in August. He therefore left Hong Kong by the R.M.A. "Delphinus" and will continue by Imperial Airways to Durban, where he will arrive on August 6.

The next day he will embark on the South African Airways plane for Cape Town, reaching that city the same afternoon.

The whole journey of 14,500 miles from Shanghai to Cape Town will have been completed in 17 days by utilising the services of the three air companies—C.N.A.C., I.A.L. and South African Airways.

Mr. Young reached Japan by way of America, and the whole round trip illustrates the close co-operation between the great air and sea transport companies of the world.

In the middle of May Mr. Young walked into the London Office of Imperial Airways, gave them his requirements, and left the whole matter in their hands.

Immediately cable and telephone

FAST NEW R.A.F. BOMBERS

A new training aeroplane capable of a speed of more than 200 miles an hour was exhibited in the New Type Aircraft Park at the Royal Air Force Display last month at Hendon. This is believed to be the fastest training aeroplane in the world.

It is known as the Miles-M.16, trainer, and it is powered with a Rolls-Royce Kestrel XVI engine, which delivers 745 h.p. at 14,500ft. The machine incorporates all the latest equipment so that pupils shall be able to fit themselves to go immediately to the fastest service types.

It has a three-bladed controllable-pitch aircrew, a retractable under-carriage and trailing edge wing flaps. In addition, the cabin is enclosed.

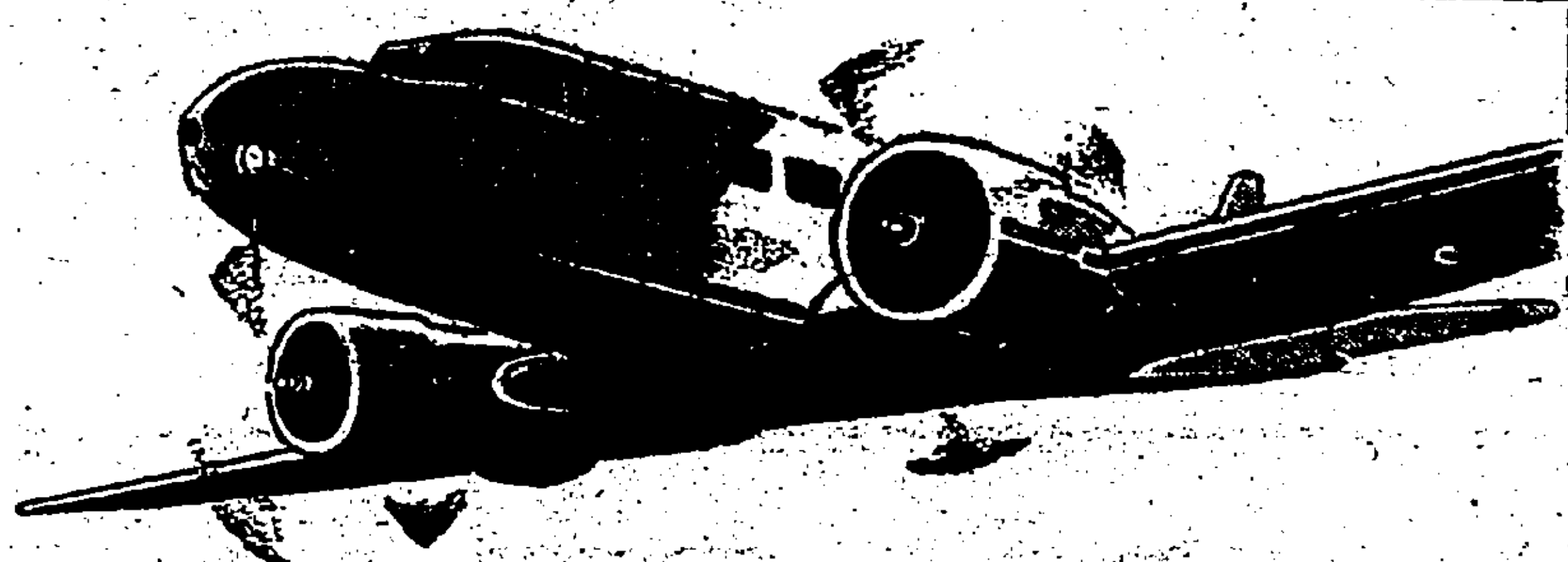
Two Superchargers

It is permissible to-day to disclose another technical advance made by British manufacturers in their work for the Royal Air Force, an advance which has already had its effect in stepping up still further the already remarkable performance of certain military aeroplanes. It is the introduction of aero-engines with two speed superchargers.

An engine of this kind fitted to the Vickers-Wellesley geodetic bombing aeroplane brings the maximum speed figure, according to the manufacturers' trials, up to 228 miles an hour at 17,000 feet. The highest speed attained by this machine during Government trials was a little over 202 miles an hour.

Additional figures obtained during manufacturers' trials with the Vickers Wellesley show that the machine has a still-air range of 1,325 miles when laden to 10,900lb., and that with augmented all-up weight the range is increased to 2,270 miles at 186 m.p.h. This is believed to be the greatest range obtained by any new aeroplane ordered for the Royal Air Force up to the present.

wires were humming and in a very short time the whole thing was arranged—to New York by the "Queen Mary", across America by United Airways' Coast to Coast sleeper-service, across the Pacific by President Liner, from Japan to Shanghai by N.Y.K. and then the immense air trip to Cape Town, and the whole thing was done.



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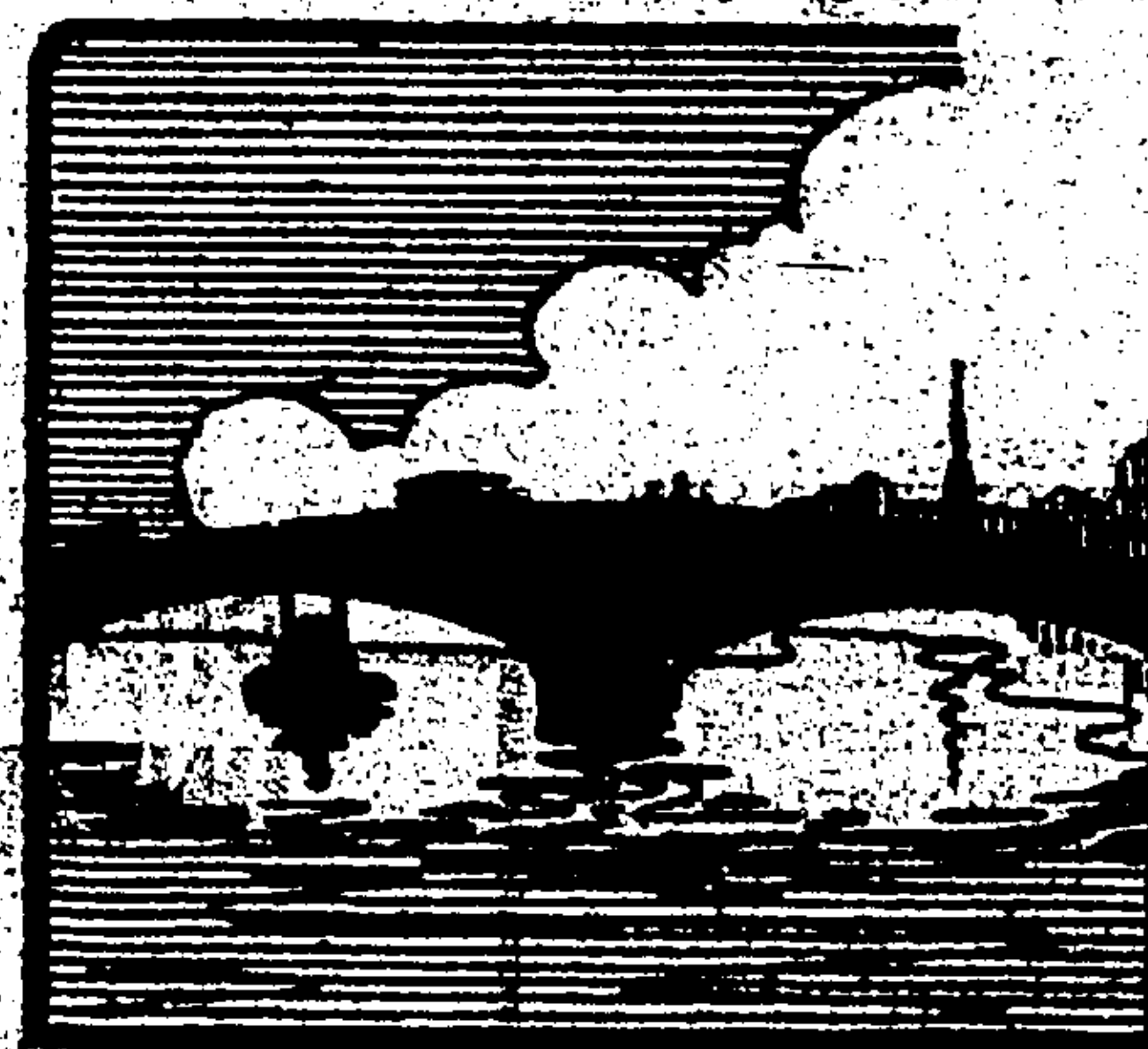
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To-day's Wireless

**Commentary By
Percy Fender
On The Test Match**

12.30-2.15 p.m.—European Programme.
12.30 p.m.—Nat Gonella and his Georgians.
Fox-Trot—
The Mayor of Alabam'.
Your Feet Too Big.
Blues—
Basin Street Blues.
Fox-Trot—
The Sheik of Araby.
Sophisticated Lady.
Jealous.
12.49 p.m.—Gracie Fields.
Why did I have to meet you?
One night of love.
When the Robin sings his song again.
1 p.m.—Local: Time Signal and Weather Report.
1.03 p.m.—Latest Variety Numbers.
Humorous—
The Love Bug will bite you, Max Miller.
Vocal—
I was anything but sentimental, Birdie out of a Cage, Cicely Courtneidge and Jack Hulbert.
I need you, Broken-hearted Clown, Leslie Hutchinson.
Bass—
Golden River, My Way Paul Robeson.
Vocal—
South Sea Island Medley, The Twilight Serenaders.
1.30 p.m.—Reuter Press: Rugby Press; Local: Weather Forecast, Time and Announcements.
1.40 p.m.—Primo Scala's Accordeon Band.
Riding the range in the sky. The Duck Song.
Twenty miles to nowhere. "On with the Show"—Selection.
1.55 p.m.—Songs by Stuart Robertson (Bass-Baritone) and Mary Kay (Soprano).
Contralto—
Love's Old Sweet Song (Molloy, Bingham).
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(H. Wood, Barrie).
Bass-Baritone—
When Dull Care (Lane Wilson).
When Lights Go Rolling (Ireland).
Contralto—
Danny Boy (Weatherley).
Baritone—
Silent Noon (Vaughan Williams).
Myself when Young ("In a Persian Garden").
2.15 p.m.—Close down.
4-7 p.m.—Chinese Programme.
7 p.m.—12 Midnight—European Programme.
7 p.m.—Haydn. Quartet in E Major Op. 54 No. 3 played by the Pro Arte Quartet.
7.17 p.m.—Schubert Songs. Gretchen am Spinnrade, Lied der Mignon, Meta Seinemeyer (soprano). Aufenhalt. Alexander Kipnis (Bass).
7.30 p.m.—Hong Kong Stock Exchange summary and Exchange market report.
7.35 p.m.—Arthur Rubinstein at the Piano.
Polonaise No. 2 in E Flat Minor Op. 20 No. 2 Chopin.
Polonaise No. 4 in G Minor Op. 40 No. 2 Chopin.
Grande Polonaise Op. 22 Chopin.
Liebestraum (No. 3) Liszt.
Valse Caprice Rubinstein.
8 p.m.—Local: Time Signal, Weather report and Announcements.
8.03 p.m.—Leslie Hutchinson at the piano.
Watching the Stars, from "Splinters in the Air".
May I have the Next Romance with you, from "Head over Heels".
The Way you look to-night, from "Swing Time".
Afterglow Stillman-Levant.
8.15 p.m.—London. Relay of the second cricket test match v. New Zealand.

A commentary on the first day's play by P. G. H. Fender from Old Trafford, Manchester.
8.30 p.m.—A request variety programme.
Pop-Eyed Pete (Kennedy & Carr).
The Merry Wisdom Selection (Lehar).
De Groot & His Orch.
Albert Comes Back... Stan Holloway.
The Mounties, from Rose Marie.
Rose Marie Nelson Eddy.
Rainbow on the River (Fox-trot).
Billy Bisset & His Orch.
Songs of Freedom.
Sleepy River (from film Songs of Freedom) Paul Robeson.
9 p.m.—Studio. Frank Read on local lawn bowls.
9.10 p.m.—Variety.
Head over heels in Love, Baby, watcha go nna do tonight, Lille Palmer (soprano).
Charlie Kunz Piano medley No. D. 2. Charlie Kunz.
Brewster's Millions, Jack Buchanan & Gerald & his Orch.
9.30 p.m.—London. Relay. News and Announcements.
9.55 p.m.—Relay of the Hong Kong Hotel dance Orchestra from the Grill room of the Hong Kong Hotel.
9.55-10.10 p.m.—
1. Am I Gonna have trouble with you.
2. This Year's Kisses.
3. May be its the Spring.
4. I'm Bubbling Over.

10.10-10.15 p.m.—Interval of Recorded Dance Music from Z.B.W.
10.15-10.30 p.m.—
5. September in the Rain.
6. An Excuse for Dancing.
7. Melody for Two.
8. Sheik of Araby (Swing Arrangement by Mr. Art Carneiro).
10.30-10.40 p.m.—Interval of Recorded Dance Music from Z.B.W.
10.40-10.55 p.m.—
9. Coronation Waltzes.
10. Seventh Heaven.
11. Arlene.
12. Medley of Old Fashioned Waltzes.
10.55-11 p.m.—Interval of Recorded Dance Music from Z.B.W.
11-11.15 p.m.—
13. Moonlight and Shadows.
14. Blue Hawaii.
15. In a Little, Hula Heaven.
16. Lady in Red.
11.15-11.20 p.m.—Interval of Recorded Dance Music from Z.B.W.
11.20-11.35 p.m.—
17. Piccolo Fiore (Tango).
18. Munchita (Tango).
19. Clavelitera (Rumba).
20. Siboney (Rumba).
11.35-11.45 p.m.—Interval of Recorded Dance Music from Z.B.W.
11.45-12 midnight—
21. Little Old Lady.
22. Rhythms O.K. in Harlem.
23. The Love Bug will Bite You.
24. Lady be Good (Swing arrangement by Mr. Art Carneiro).
12 midnight—Close down.
The Hong Kong Hotel Orchestral Relay will be interrupted at about 10.15 p.m. For a commentary from the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps, Aquatic Sports at the V.R.C.

BRIDGE NOTES

By ELY CULBERTSON

Budapest Match Hands

To-day I give two interesting examples of play from the earlier rounds of the Budapest World Championship. The first was a crucial hand in the match between the Culbertson New York team and Sweden. Mrs. Culbertson sat North and I South, and we bid to a Small Slam thus:

Mrs. Culbertson
S—10 x
H—10
D—Q J 9 8 x x
C—A K x x
S—A J x x N—S—Q r x
H—J x x W E H—9 8 7 x x
D—x x S—D—x x
C—J 10 x x C—Q x x
S—K x x x
H—A K Q 6
D—A K 10
C—x x

Culbertson
South: 1 H 2 S 3 D 4 NT 6 NT
North: 2 D 3 C 4 D 6 C

Note South's Two Spades. Although he has a hand of nearly five honour-tricks, he does not jump the bidding. The reverse bid sufficiently indicates his strength. By bidding a new suit (Three Clubs) Mrs. Culbertson now hints strongly at slam possibilities. Hence my bid of Three Diamonds. There is no risk of the calling stopping short of game. North's Four Diamonds invites South to use Asking Bids or the conventional Four No-Trumps. He chooses the latter, and Mrs. Culbertson announces her Ace of Clubs. South now knows there is an Ace missing, and bids only the Small Slam, and in No-Trumps rather than Diamonds, in case North should

have a weak doubleton in Spades—as indeed she has. No-Trumps insures that an opening Spade lead will come up to and not through South's King. Six Diamonds would be broken by a Spade lead.

West led a small Club, and the hand resolved itself into a rather curious type of squeeze. Taking the club trick with dummy's King, I ran off my six Diamond tricks, on which, to protect the Heart suit, East discarded everything except his five Hearts and the Queen of Spades. South then played two rounds of Hearts, and the position was:

S—10 x
H—None
D—None
C—A x
S—A J N—S—Q
H—None W E H—9 8 7
D—None S—D—None
C—J 10 C—None

S—K
H—Q 6
D—None
C—x

The Queen of Hearts was now led, and West was squeezed. He discarded the Knave of Spades, and dummy the small Club. South then led the King of Spades, dropping the Ace and Queen together. West now had to lead a Club, and dummy's Ace of Clubs and Ten of Spades took the last two tricks. If at the 10th trick West had kept his two Spades, and discarded a Club, I would have discarded a Spade from dummy and led the last Club from his own hand to make the Ace and small Club in dummy.

What's On At the Cinemas

AT THE KING'S—"Green Light", with Errol Flynn, Anita Louise, Margaret Lindsay and Sir Cedric Hardwicke. Errol Flynn is in the role of a young surgeon who sacrifices his career to save that of an older doctor. Anita Louise and Margaret Lindsay provide the love interest while Sir Cedric Hardwicke is the surgeon who risks his life to search for a vaccine that will control the dreaded spotted fever. Directed by Frank Borzage, "Green Light" bids fair to be one of the leading screen contributions of the year.

AT THE ORIENTAL—"The Last Of Mrs. Cheyney". A gay comedy of stolen pearls; an attractive and ultra-smart American widow played by Joan Crawford; the debonnaire Robert Montgomery and well-poised William Powell are the principal players in a dramatic romance as brilliant as its glamorous stars.

AT THE QUEEN'S—"Turn Off The Moon". Produced by Fanchon, creator of the famous Fanchon and Marco shows, this whimsical musical comedy is not only a delightful melange of dancing, romancing girls, gaiety, catchy songs and uproarious fun, it has also an unusually strong story. Cast includes Charlie Ruggles, Eleanor

Whitney, Johnny Downs, Kenny Baker and Marjorie Gatenon.
AT THE ALHAMBRA—"When You're In Love". The story of a gay, light-hearted and charming escapade in which Grace Moore has been transformed into a charming comedienne. Playing opposite her in the male lead is Cary Grant with Aline MacMahon, Henry Stephenson, Thomas Mitchell, Catharine Doucet and Luis Alberni in the supporting cast.

AT THE MAJESTIC—"Cain And Mabel", starring Marion Davies, as a beautiful waitress who rises to stardom on the musical comedy stage, and Clark Gable, as a daring youth who battles his way to fame in the boxing ring.

NEXT CHANGE

AT THE QUEEN'S AND ALHAMBRA—"I Met Him in Paris". Starring Claudette Colbert, Melvyn Douglas, Robert Young and Mona Barrie. A sparkling comedy-romance, written by Claude Binyon, author of "The Bride Comes Home" and "The Gilded Lily" and as fast and funny as anything Claudette has ever done.



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Church Leader Chooses Caol Term

The Very Rev. Dr. Thomas M. Johnstone, a former Moderator of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland, and Convener of the Assembly's Temperance Committee, was fined £100 in the Northern Ireland High Court at Belfast for contempt of court.

The proceedings arose out of a speech to the General Assembly of the Church on June 9.

Lord Justice Best ordered Dr. Johnstone to be detained, and, if necessary, lodged in prison until the money was paid. Right to appeal was refused.

Dr. Johnstone said that he would go to prison, but asked that he should have permission first to attend his son's ordination at Leicester and also his son's wedding. He undertook to return to Belfast immediately after these ceremonies and go straight to prison.

The judge granted Dr. Johnstone's request.

A Publican's Licence

The Attorney-General, Sir Anthony Babington, K.C., said that on a writ of certiorari the King's Bench Divisional Court had decided that while an intoxicating liquor licence had been wrongly granted by the Belfast Recorder to a certain publican in Belfast, it refused to grant the writ of certiorari on the ground of a delay of five months by a church minister who applied for it.

The refusal was also based on fairness to the publican, who had spent a large sum on the premises newly licensed.

Dr. Johnstone had said in his speech that the judgment of the Divisional Court was given by way of consideration to the publican, and the one thing that mattered was that the publican must be sav-

TRUST FUND FOR EMPIRE RELATIONS

London, To-day.

Lord Clarendon, until recently Governor-General of South Africa, and former chairman of the British Broadcasting Corporation, will be vice-chairman of the Board of Trustees which Lord Baldwin is constituting to administer a sum of £250,000 which an anonymous donor recently placed at his disposal for the endowment of any object calculated to strengthen Imperial ties.

Other members of the Imperial Relations Trust will be Sir Walter Citrine, Secretary of the Trade Union Congress, Mr. Arthur Howard, Mr. Montagu Norman, Governor of the Bank of England, the Dowager Lady Reading and Mr. Will Spens, Master of Corpus Christi College and a former vice-chancellor of Cambridge University. — British Wireless.

ed. He had also said that the law of the land was invaded.

Dr. Johnstone, who conducted his own case, submitted that he was not guilty of contempt, as by his speech he implied only that the discretionary compassionate judgment of the Divisional Court in favour of the publican was a queer interpretation of the law.

"In what I said," said Dr. Johnstone, "I never for a single moment intended to say of any of the Judges that he acted improperly, but I admit quite frankly that I cannot follow the reasoning of the Divisional Court that a licence granted contrary to statute is a legal warrant to a publican to sell liquor. I cannot admit that Judges are infallible, and I have a right to criticise their decisions."

She Increases the Army's Navy



The *Ellery N. Niles*, first combination mine planter and cable layer ever built in America, is shown sliding down the ways at Wilmington, Del. When fully equipped the vessel will be turned over to the U. S. Army. Mrs. Malin Craig, wife of the Chief of Staff, sponsored the craft.

DEFENCE OF SHIPPING IN THE CHANNEL

A naval exercise which, although limited in scope, was expected to provide valuable lessons bearing on the protection of seaborne trade in war, was held recently in the western approaches to the English Channel.

The outstanding feature of this war game was the employment on a fairly large scale of aircraft, both ship-borne and shore-based, to assist in locating, rounding up, and destroying enemy commerce raiders.

Bounded by the parallels of 47 deg. and 51 deg. North and the meridians of 5 deg. and 15 deg. West, the area of operations was a rectangle, of which the north-east corner was near Lundy Island, while the sides extended 240 miles to the southward and some 400 miles westward into the Atlantic.

Great Britain—Red—was at war with a Power—Blue—whose main fleet was held in check by the British forces in a distant area. But a Blue cruiser and an armed merchant raider were known to have slipped through the British cordon with the object of attacking our trade.

RIVAL FORCES

The Red base was at Falmouth. The Blue side had a base in the Azores.

The rival forces taking part in the operation were as follows:

Red.—Aircraft carrier Glorious, flying the flag of Rear-Adml. T. H. Binney, who directed the operations of Red side generally; the 9,000-ton 32-knot cruiser Newcastle, only lately commissioned, and the destroyer Brazen, representing another cruiser of the Newcastle type.

The full aircraft outfit of the Glorious was 48 machines; and that of the Newcastle three. Adml. Binney, however, also had the support of Nos. 201 and 208 Flying Boat Squadrons, who worked under the orders of the Air Officer commanding the 16th Reconnaissance Group.

The destroyers Comet and Beagle accompanied the Glorious for safety purposes, but took no other part in the exercises.

Blue.—The cruiser Southampton, sister to Newcastle, flying the flag of Rear-Adml. T. F. P. Calvert, who commanded the Blue raiding force, and the Fleet Auxiliary Prestol, which were suitably disguised and was assumed to mount four 6in guns.

CYCLE RACERS STONED AT BORDEAUX

Paris, To-day.

The entire Belgian team has withdrawn from the famous bicycle race through France, known as the "Tour de France."

Reason for the withdrawal, it is stated, is the reception the Belgian competitors received when they passed through Bordeaux on Wednesday evening.

Stones were thrown at Maes, who was leading the field and looked an almost certain winner, and at Discaux, the Belgian second string, who was knocked off his

BRITISH PLANES FLY FOR FOREIGN EXPERTS

Many types of British aeroplanes, civil and military, were flown at Hatfield by master pilots, with the object of demonstrating speed, manoeuvrability, and other qualities.

Thousands of guests, foreign and British, invited by the Society of British Aircraft Constructors, were the spectators. The air, naval, and military attaches of foreign countries and delegates to the Federation Aeronautique Internationale conference, which has just been held in London, were among them.

Thirty types of aeroplanes were flown by test pilots, and in some cases by the designers themselves, with the object of demonstrating special qualities.

The four-engined "Albatross" land air liner, built for the Air Ministry for Atlantic experiments, was demonstrated. It is certainly one of the most beautiful aeroplanes ever designed, despite its great size and four engines. Its cruising speed is probably more than 200 m.p.h.

NEW BOMBER'S SPEED

One of the new four-engined Empire flying boats, the Calpernia, flew over the aerodrome repeatedly at a low altitude, revealing the great security now afforded by British engines.

Most of the display flights included highest and lowest speeds, and they showed that while there have been great increases in the speeds of aeroplanes, low speed flying has been improved chiefly by the use of trailing edge flaps, simple or split. The new "Harrow" heavy bomber gave a remarkable exhibition of low-speed flying.

An advanced Hawker "Hart" bomber, fitted with the Mercury engine and rotol constant speed propeller, showed by its steep, rapid climbing the importance of propellers of variable pitch.

The day brought a triumph for the sleeve-valve engines of the Bristol firm which have led the world in this highly important development.

BRITISH RESTRICTIONS

A new light bomber shown was the Hawker "Henley," obviously one of great speed.

New training machines, the D. H. Don, the Phillips and Powis, and the Airspeed Oxford, were evidence of the need to step-up training in line with the all-round improvement in aeroplane performance. One machine has a speed of 290 m.p.h. All are cabin types.

The demonstrations gave a highly favourable impression, and it is to be regretted that restrictions of various kinds prevent British manufacturers from taking full advantage of openings in the world markets.

machine.

Belgian journalists accompanying the race in motor-cars have also withdrawn.

Expressing regret for the incident, the organisers of the race stated yesterday evening that Bordeaux would not be included in the route in future years.

With the withdrawal of the Belgian, Maes, a French entry, Lapebil, is now leading.—Trans-Ocean.

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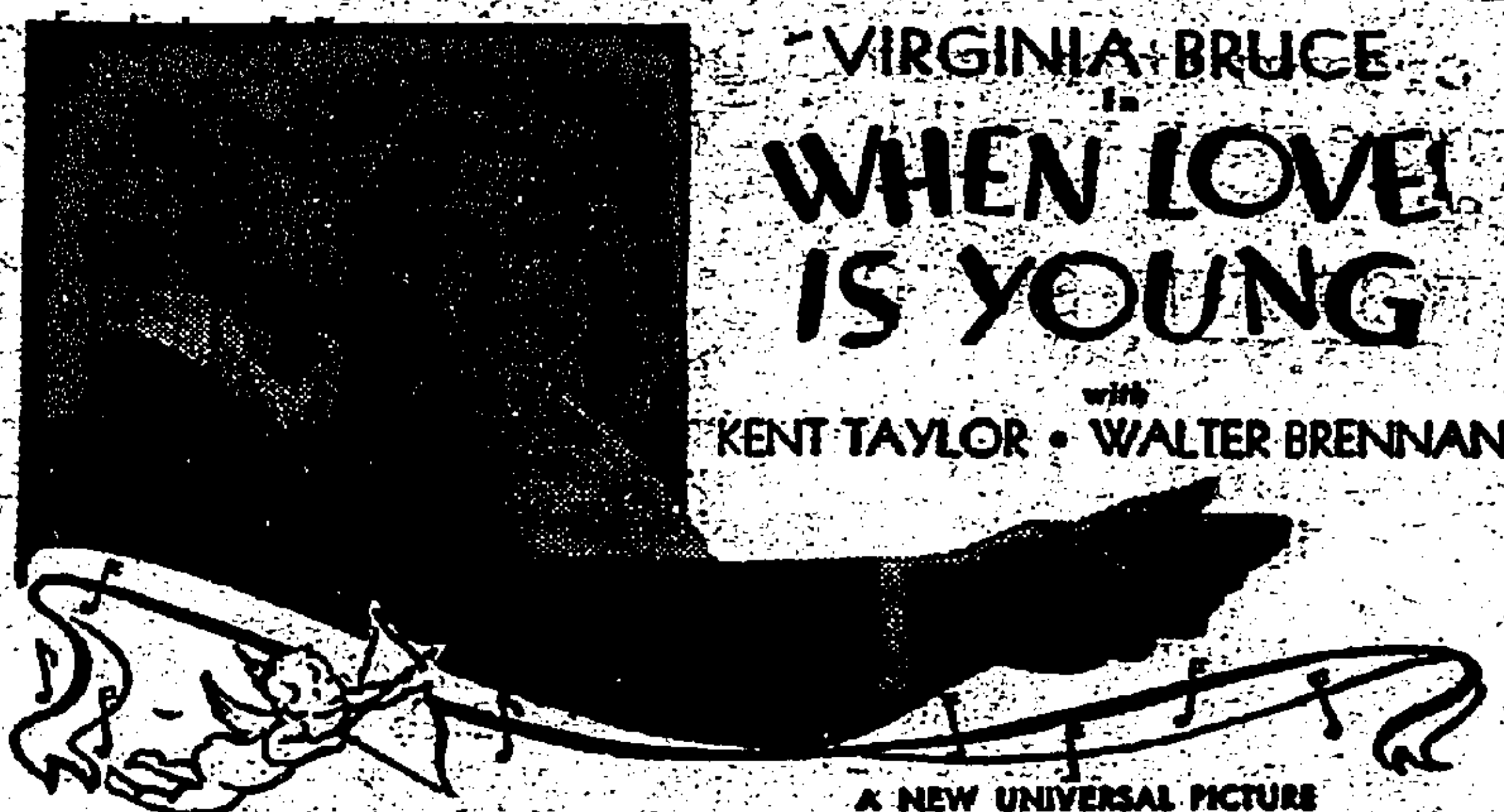
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DISQUIET REMAINS

Nanking May Refuse To Acquiesce In Sung's Terms For Peace Settlement

DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF REACHES PEIPING

Shanghai, To-day.

Official Chinese circles decline to comment on yesterday's Japanese War Office communique giving the alleged terms of promises given by the Hopen-Chahar Political Council, pending receipt of the full text of the agreement from their own sources.

It is clear, however, that the terms are irreconcilable with General Chiang Kai-shek's four points and consequently will be unacceptable to the Central Government.—Reuter.

NANKING ARMY CHIEF AT PEIPING

Peiping, To-day.

General Hsiung Ping, deputy Chief of General Staff at Nanking, arrived here unobtrusively from Paotingfu this morning in order to confer with local Chinese leaders. — Reuter.

Tientsin, To-day.

General Chin Teh-chun, Mayor of Peiping, is reported to have resigned.

The resignation cannot be confirmed but is believed more than possible in view of recent events. — Reuter.

JAPANESE AND SUNG CHEH-YUAN

Memorandum On Incident

Peiping, To-day.

Colonel Matsui, of the Japanese Embassy, called on General Chin Teh-chun, Mayor of Peiping, this morning. It is reported that they had a heated dispute on the question of withdrawal. General Chin charged the Japanese with not withdrawing as arranged. The Japanese representative produced a memo which he said must be the basis for the settlement of the Lukouchiao Incident, and asked General Chin to convey it to General Sung Cheh-yuan for approval.—Da-Dao.

SECRET TERMS

Nanking Will Refuse To Approve

Peiping, To-day.

It is generally believed that no peace agreement arrived at in North

China can last, because it is asserted that in politically capitalising the incident at Marco Polo Bridge, Japan aims at the re-establishment of the Taching (Manchu) Empire at Peiping with Henry Pu Yi on the throne.

To Japan such terms as these—the replacement of the 37th Division of the 29th Army by pro-Japanese units, the institution of a demilitarised zone of wider area, the recognition of Japan's special interests in North China, Sino-Japanese economic co-operation, the non-participation by northern provinces in the election of representatives of the National Assembly to be held in the coming November—are demanded, but it is certain the Central Government at Nanking will not endorse them.—Da-Dao.

INDIGNATION IN 37TH DIVISION

Feng Chi-an Explains Situation

Peiping, To-day.

According to a military correspondent, there is much indignation and insubordination in the ranks of the 29th Army, who are infuriated by the order of General Sung Cheh-yuan, Officer Commanding the Army, to withdraw before instead of simultaneously with the Japanese forces.

General Fang Chi-an called a meeting of his three brigadiers and six regimental commanders. General Fang explained the reasons for the withdrawal, and assured them that it was only for strategic reasons that they had to move to another point. General Fang declared that as long as he was in command of the 37th Division, it would never try to shun responsibility at the foremost front of national defence.—Da-Dao.

IN TSINGTAO

Tension And Japanese Precautions

Tsingtao, To-day.

It is reported that Japanese residents have been instructed that in case of emergency they should repair to the First Primary School, the Women's Hospital, and the Mills for shelter.

Plain-clothed Japanese have, of late, been extremely active on the chief roads at night time, and tradesmen and residents have been advised to store up candles in anticipation that lights may go off without notice.

The Taishan Maru left this morning at 11.30 with 300 on board.

A group of 120 Japanese from along the Lunghai Railway area have arrived here, waiting for ships to go home. Another party is expected to-night.

At present there are five Japanese warships in port. The British aircraft-carrier "Eagle" has just arrived.—Da-Dao.

AIR MANOEUVRES OVER SHANGHAI

Japanese Planning "Operations"

Shanghai, To-day.

Two Japanese aircraft carriers have arrived at the vicinity of Woosung. After coaling and taking water, they are to leave again for a destination about 60 miles east of Shanghai, from where they will hold manoeuvres to-morrow, with Shanghai as the "enemy."

The Japanese Naval Headquarters at Yangtzepoo will direct "operations" by wireless.—Da-Dao.

CANTON WILL FIRE ON UNKNOWN PLANES

Canton, To-day.

Owing to a strange foreign plane scouting over Whampoa and East Kwangtung on Monday, the Kwangtung Government has announced that all foreign planes must notify the Government before they enter the province or they will be fired on. Instructions have been sent to the military authorities in different parts of the province.—Our Own Correspondent.

JAPANESE FLY OVER PAOTINGFU

Paoting, To-day.

Two squadrons of Japanese aeroplanes flew over here in succession yesterday, dropping leaflets of most provocative nature.—Da-Dao.

HANKOW JAPANESE PRECAUTIONS

Hankow, To-day.

The "Special Bureau" of the Japanese Naval Forces here has suddenly removed into the Japanese Consulate-General, which is strongly guarded.

QUAKES GIVE ALASKA SHAKE UP

Nome (Alaska), To-day.

A series of earthquakes have been reported along the coast of Alaska, resulting in damage to property but no casualties.—Reuter.

ALLEGED CLASH

Nanking, To-day.

According to a semi-official organ, when the withdrawal of the 37th Division was under way, and troops were passing Lukouchiao, the Japanese started firing. They replied with rifles. The Japanese supervisor, Col. Sakurai, immediately telephoned to the Japanese officers-in-charge, and hostilities were stopped.—Da-Dao.

SWATOW STRIKE

Canton, To-day.

Mr. T. Nakamura, Japanese Consul-General, called on Mr. Philip Tyau, the Foreign Commissioner, yesterday, and presented a verbal protest against the strike of the longshoremen in Swatow against Japanese ships. Mr. Nakamura said the longshoremen were backed up by the police.

Mr. Tyau promised to look into the matter, stating that if the strike took place on the initiative of the strikers, the Government could do nothing.—Our Own Correspondent.

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KING OF BELGIANS IN PLEA FOR WORLD PEACE

URGES CREATION OF UNIVERSAL ECONOMIC ORGANISATION FOR STUDY

Brussels, To-day.

Establishment of an independent world economic organisation, with a view to solving the "great problems which menacingly confront humanity," is suggested by the King of the Belgians in a letter to the Premier, M. Paul van Zeeland.

The letter, which is dated Brussels, July 21, suggests that it is essential to bring about creation of an organism of economic studies, the value of which will be emphasised by its triple character of universality, permanence and independence.

Objects of the studies will be research into the elements of universal economic organisation, and continuous adaptation of this organisation to constantly changing economic factors.

In order to be able to fulfil its mission the proposed institution ought to be as independent as possible of national influences.

It is essential for it to be able to rely on the co-operation of persons all over the world who are best acquainted with all questions relating to industry, trade, agriculture, finance and labour.

King Leopold's letter reveals that M. van Zeeland is about to set out the preliminary results of the enquiry with which he was entrusted by the British and French Governments on the possibilities of removing the obstacles to international trade.

The letter refers to the present world disorganisation, expresses profound anxiety in regard to the future and emphasises the necessity of encouraging every attempt at organisation.

It also dwells on the importance of M. van Zeeland's mission, which, it says, may lead to a quest for the elements of rational organisation in world economy.

A BETTER ORDER

The letter says that the Belgian Premier's welcome in the United States indicates that the United States is favourably disposed towards the effort initiated by Britain and France.

The three great nations thus give proof of their generous wish to participate actively in the establishment of a better order which the whole world is demanding.

The letter adds that neither the lowering of tariff barriers nor any partial measure can alone end the confusion which is threatening peace.

COURAGE DEMANDED

"If we really wish to avert war and bring back mankind to a more peaceful frame of mind, we must have the courage to tackle the economic question entirely, and solve the great problems which menacingly

confront humanity — distribution of raw materials, distribution of means of exchange, international distribution of labour, and equilibrium between agricultural and industrial nations."

The letter concludes by stating that whole sections of the human race are no longer in sympathy with each other.

OFFER OF HUMANITY

"If one first step can be taken to bring them together again we will be offering humanity, especially the East, and otherwise than by words, proof that the West values above all immediate material considerations, the spiritual strength emanating from a genuine feeling of brotherhood."—Reuter.

NORTH CHINA CHANGES TONE OF TALKS

London, To-day.

The conversations between the Japanese economic mission and representatives of the Federation of British Industries have concluded.

A communique issued after the talks states it was decided that the discussions on the possibility of co-operation in the economic development of East Asia should be resumed as soon as the position appears favourable.—Reuter.

Mr. George Brownbill Twemlow has been appointed to act as Superintendent of the Botanical and Forestry Department, with effect from the 24th July, 1937.

BOMB OUTRAGE IN ALEPPO

Jerusalem, To-day.

A bomb exploded on Thursday at the entrance of the house of the brother of the Syrian Foreign Minister at Aleppo, seriously injuring several children. It is believed that the outrage was prompted by personal motives.—Trans-Ocean.

TRINIDAD STRIKE NEARS SETTLEMENT

Port Of Spain (Trinidad), To-day.

New offers by the Trinidad oil companies have been submitted to the employees, who recently agreed to return to work from their strike after the employers had agreed to consider their claims for higher wages and better working conditions.

The new offers give a flat increase of one penny an hour to every employee in the oil fields, which means a varying increase of twelve to thirty per cent.

A week's holiday each year, with full wages, will be provided, while overtime and working during holidays will be paid proportionately.

A provident fund for employees will also be established.—Reuter.

PALESTINE PLAN CAUSES WIDE UNREST

Cairo, To-day.

Great demonstrations against the formation of a Jewish State in Palestine have been held at Mecca, Medina and Riad and other towns of Arabia. It is believed that the action had been approved by King Ibn Saud.

In Medina, in the mosque containing the tomb of the Prophet, speakers recalled the promise of Caliph Omar, Mahomet's war leader.

Taking over the protection of holy places in Palestine, Omar had promised never to permit Jewish settlements. The speakers pointed out that this promise was still valid.—Trans-Ocean.

Jerusalem, To-day.

Strikes broke out unexpectedly in various Transjordan states yesterday. The police arrested several persons at Amman who had been exiled but who secretly returned.

The arrested men were found to be in possession of bombs and ammunition and are suspected to have planned bombing attempts on the lives of prominent Transjordan politicians.—Trans-Ocean.

SPECIAL COMMISSION

Shanghai, To-day.

It is reported that the Japanese Government may send a special commission to North China to investigate the Lukuochiao incident.—Our Own Correspondent.

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STALIN CRUSHES A REVOLT

Stalin has struck—and struck hard—against those who have once more dared to defy his rule of Red Russia. Eight chiefs of the Red Army were executed recently.

SOVIET Russia remains a mystery to the outside world. Only at rare intervals is the veil lifted and a glimpse permitted of what is really going on in that vast country of eight and a quarter million square miles, but it is usually only a glimpse. Then the curtain falls and the doings of 165,000,000 people become again as mysterious as they have always been since Russia went Red.

It has been said that the basic strength of the Soviets is that all the outside world is the enemy. Thus the Soviet State is not only self-contained but self-sufficient. There is no longer any doubt that it is absolutely ruthless and no more so than to the unfortunate people who within its borders happen to disagree with its policy.

A week ago the world got to hear that one of those periodical upheavals that have several times shaken the Red State was taking place within its borders. From Paris came news that a new "purge" was in progress and many reports and rumours reached Europe.

"Terrorised?"

IT became known that Garmarnick, the political head of the Soviet Army—for the Soviet Army must be communistic as well as militaristic—had committed suicide, and it was an easy inference that something big was imminent.

It took a week for the news to reach the outside world, and in that time eight of the Red Army chiefs had been deposed, arrested and forced to confess their complicity in happenings which may be of the greatest importance to the whole of Europe and the world.

It had been suggested that Stalin—the supreme master of Red Russia—had been "terrorised" into the belief that a plot was being hatched against him. It was even hinted that Voroshiloff, his right hand man and next to him the most powerful person in Russia, might be a victim. So far Voroshiloff seems to have steered clear of the trouble, but eight of the leading figures of the Red Army were not so

lucky. They were taken before a secret tribunal, and charged with treason and giving information about Russia's military strength to a "foreign State which pursues an unfriendly policy against the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics."

A few hours after this secret trial began they were sentenced to be shot immediately.

A Plot

IT is not like Stalin to mince words. "The only State to whom the reference to an unfriendly power could apply is Germany, and if Stalin really has discovered a plot by high officers of the army to dis-

close his secrets to such a source there is not only reason for his recent attack of nerves but every reason for believing that he has faced in the last seven days one of the gravest situations which have arisen within Red Russia since he became Dictator.

It can fairly safely be supposed that he regarded the situation as being in hand before the outside world was allowed to know of the confessions of these high officers, and it was easy to believe that no mercy would be shown them.

Tuchachevsky, for instance, who was second in command of the Red Army, has been a marked man since his name was mentioned in the last

"terrorist" trial in Moscow. He was exonerated then, but it has long been known that he favoured closer relations with Germany, and for reason the eyes of Stalin's secret agents have never been off him. He was to have formed part of the delegation to King George's Coronation. A few hours before he was due to leave he developed a chill—an illness which proved diplomatic, and in the light of recent events may prove serious for this youngest Marshal in Europe.

General Putna, another of those accused, has had more associations with the outside world than most Russians, and it is perhaps significant that he has been a military attache in Germany.

But, it will be asked, is this latest "purge" the result of fear or sheer lust for power which sooner or later in some form or another comes to all Dictators?

Once A Wrecker

STALIN is not the sort of man that most would choose as a friend. The son of a cobbler who had been a peasant, he knew the risks of the revolutionary in the time of the Tsars. Five times he was exiled. He knew many prisons from the inside, and so when power came to him he wielded it with a ruthlessness that few civilised men can imagine.

Once a wrecker himself, anything which aims at upsetting the regime for which he stands is to him to-day something to be crushed. As recently as April, in a speech to the party in Moscow, he said a couple of words on the wreckers, diversionists, spies and so on. "Naturally these gentlemen will have to be crushed and uprooted without mercy as enemies of the working-class, as traitors to our fatherland."

It is more than probable that this latest "revolt"—for obviously it is a revolt against the Red regime if not against Stalin himself—is but a recrudescence of the defection now many months old of once highly trusted men—including three former vice-Commissars involved in the January conspiracy trial. Many thousands of minor conspirators have been detected and arrested, several commissariats have had to be reorganised, and production in many important departments has fallen sadly below schedule because of the disruptive influence of former chiefs.

STALIN has reason for his "nerves." He may not be "terrorised," though even that may not be too strong a word, but probably no one more clearly than he sees the danger to Red Russia that might follow the defection of the Red Army.

He once said "he who wishes to lead a movement must conduct a fight on two fronts—against those who lag behind and those who rush ahead." He is probably finding to-day the need for every quality of leadership.

THE WORLD GOES BY

By "ULYSSES"

A NEWS item in a Home paper the other day referred to a fire in a liner, and said that the blaze originated in the enquiry office of the ship. Our crime reporter opined that somebody must have asked a "burning question." China Mail reporters are like that, always merry and bright. This particular one, if he is not mighty careful, is in peril of degenerating into a mere Ulysses, or charivaria producer.

Convalescence

"The devil was sick, the devil a saint would be. The devil got well, the devil a saint was he." As the tide of health creeps slowly back (or the hang-over slowly disappears), the old Adam floats in on it. Your meekness dwindles with your weakness. You feel like the Iron Duke with Blucher coming up, or like a fleeing boy whose feet have touched his own doorstep. Round you turn, thumb to nose, fingers extended. How quickly fades all vivid, true recollection of the emotions of illness in wellness. You see differently, think differently. In becoming yourself again, you have become another man. By the time you have grumblingly paid your doctor, the value of the warning is entirely lost. The burning child does not always dread the fire.

How Leaders Are Written

The leader-writer has had a big breakfast, including porridge. He has paper and typewriter before him and not an idea in his head. Does that dismay him? It does not. You don't understand these things. With less study than another man would bring to the tying of a tie, he goes to it. Before him

is a telegram stating that Mr. H. O. T. Air has made a speech in Parliament to the effect that the statistics of imports of Hot Dogs by Hong Kong show signs of decreasing. "That'll do," he says, and gets down to it.

The Leader

"That the statistics of Hong Kong imports generally, and of Hot Dogs in particular, are the special concern of this Colony, is a proposition that may be advanced locally without any considerable diffidence. As was well expressed in the Mother of Parliaments at Westminster by Mr. H. O. T. Air recently, when he referred to the visible diminution in the importation by this Colony of Hot Dogs, it is impossible to view such a significant alteration of the figures to which we have been accustomed for years without grave concern. Were it possible to overlook Milton's famous saying that 'chill penury represses noble rage and freezes the soul of genial currents,' we might refer to these statistics doubtless as showing that the solution of the problem sooner or later must be looked for in the direction of the exploitation and development of the manufacturing capacity of the Hot Dog industry..." And so on, and so on, as fluent as beer coming out of a jug. He only stops twice in his canter, once to take down a dictionary to see how many f's there are in diffidence; again to take a dictionary of quotations to verify his impression that it was Byron and not Milton who invented the quotation. He scores out Byron and substitutes Milton. His peroration about the lavish supply of Hot Dogs and happiness contingent on certain reforms in the government is a masterpiece, the last sentence containing 119 words and 17 commas. These things are always a joy to the intelligent reader, who loves to mark what a lot some men can say without saying anything.

BRITAIN'S RECORDS IN THE AIR

Britain's air achievements are recorded in the pages of an unheroic-looking publication issued by the Air Ministry.

It has the matter-of-fact title: "Air Ministry Resume of Commercial Information. Special Issue No. 3/1937. List of British Record and Civil Long Distance Flights, 1919-1936." Behind its facts and figures, however, is the Empire's air story from June 14, 1919, when Sir John Alcock and Sir A. Whitten Brown landed at Clifden, in Ireland, after the first trans-Atlantic flight, until last October, when Miss Jean Batten flew alone from England to Australia, and thence to New Zealand.

The Department of the Director-General of Civil Aviation, which compiled the resume, has divided the list into sections:

Flights in chronological order between 1919 and 1936;

Record flights between the United Kingdom and Australia, New Zealand, India and South Africa;

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Non-stop flights;

Schneider Trophy contests and world speed records held by United Kingdom aircraft and pilots; and

World altitude records.

Trans-Atlantic Flight

Of the 140 flights recorded the United Kingdom made 90, Australia 31, New Zealand 8, South Africa 6, India 4, and Canada 1.

The first entry is of the trans-atlantic attempt in May, 1919, by H. Hawker and Lt.-Cmdr. K. M. McKenzie-Grieve, who landed in the sea 1,200 miles from Newfoundland, their starting point. The last is of Sqdn.-Ldr. Swain's altitude record of 49,944 ft set up on Sept. 28, 1936.

Between these two are mentioned the flights of such pioneers as Kingsford-Smith and Bert Hinkler, who lost their lives in the air, the achievements of Miss Amy Johnson and other British women pilots, and names of others who are famous in the air.

It is shown how world speed records advanced from 86.80 miles an hour in 1914 to 407.50 miles an hour in 1931. This last record has since been broken by an Italian pilot.

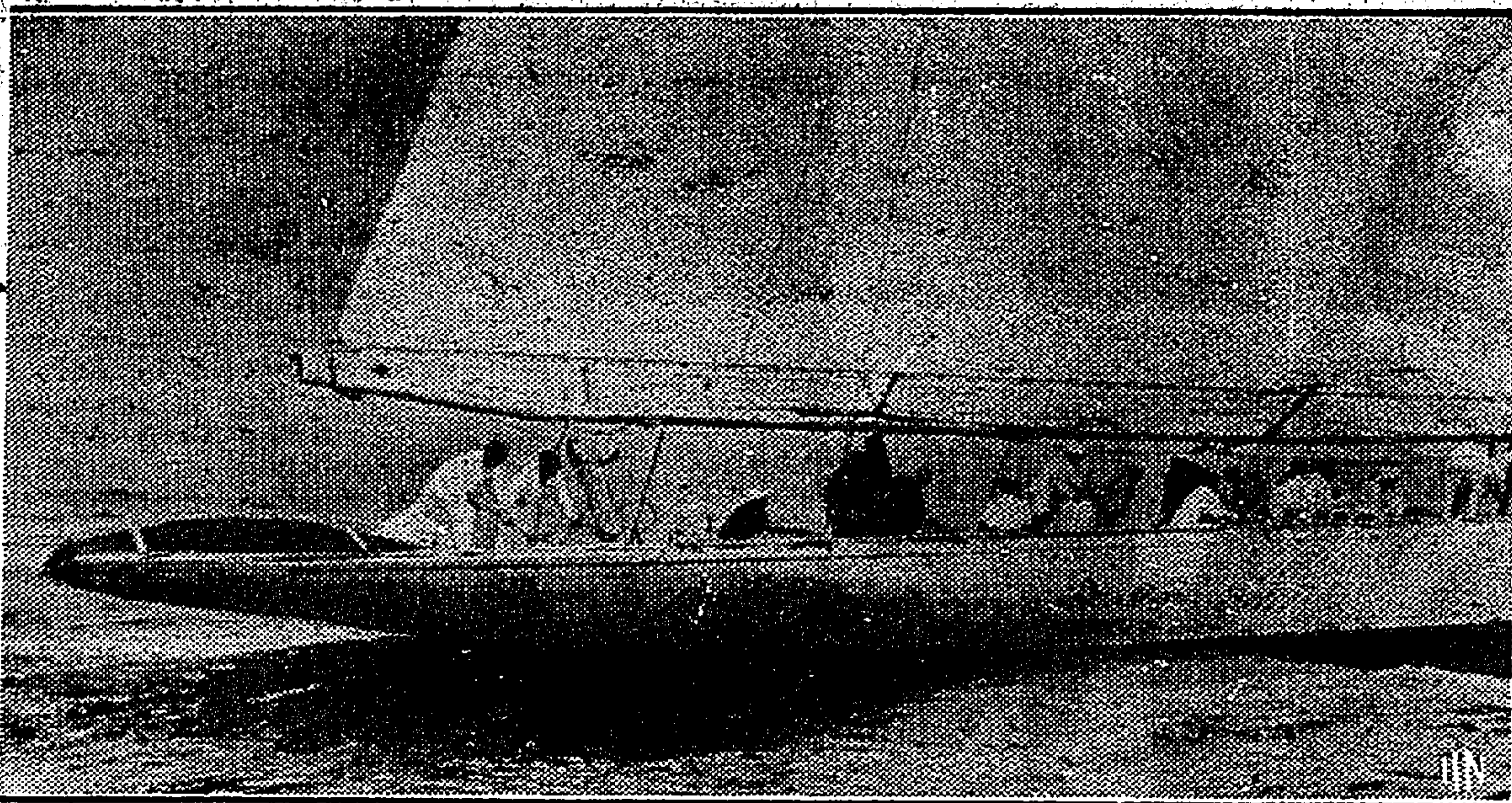
World altitude records rose from 509ft in 1909 to 49,944ft in 1936. This record has been attempted 28 times, and gained only twice by Britain. France set up the first record and held it 18 times.

It is notified that His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, under instructions received from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, has been pleased to make the following appointment:—Mr. John Alexander Fraser, M.C., to be Cadet Officer Class I, with effect from 29th December, 1936.

State but it is also her duty to criticise the State when it breaks the Divine law.

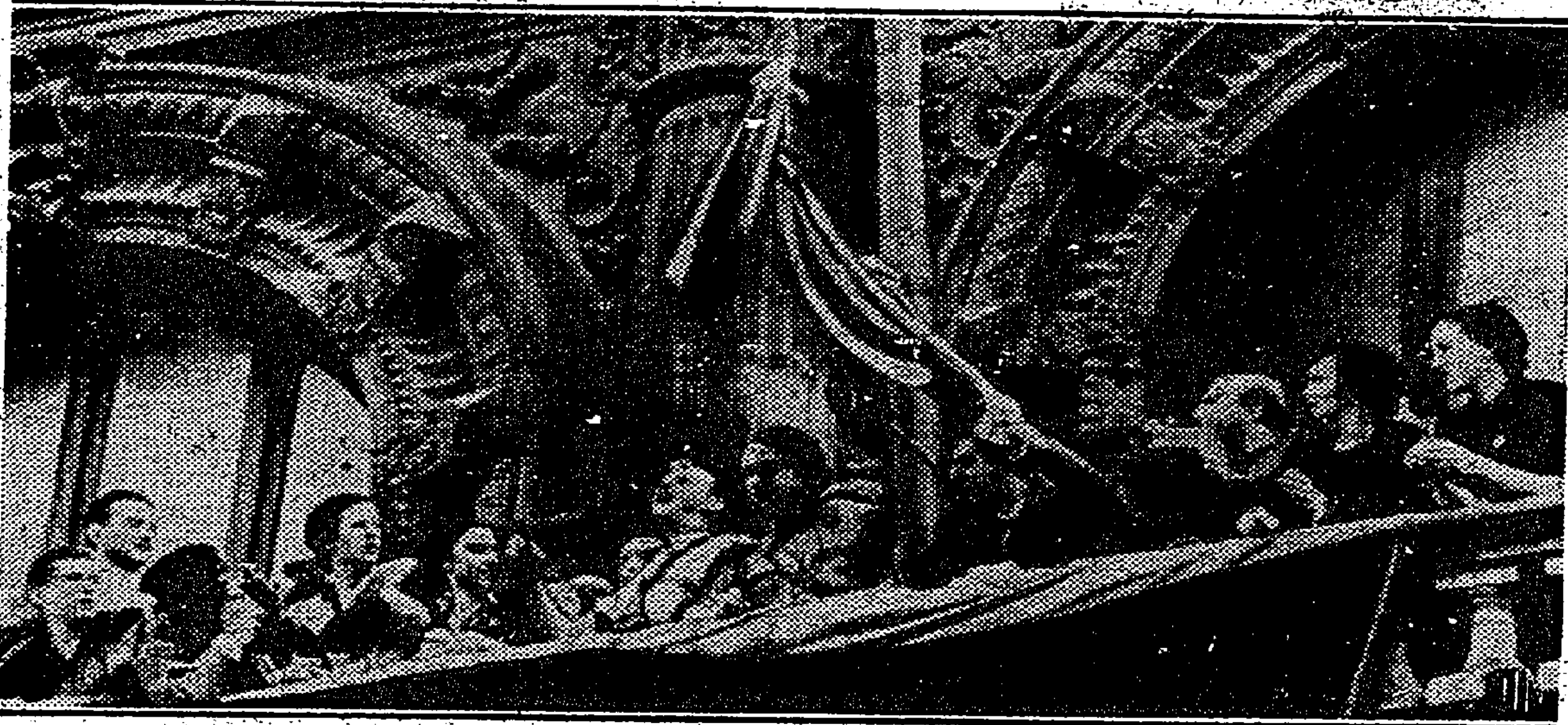
On the other hand the Church has the right to demand of the State freedom of belief, teaching and preaching, of public worship and missionary activity, liberty for her ministers and the impart of religious instruction to youth. — Trans-Ocean.

With Captain at Wheel and Crew on Deck



Harold S. Vanderbilt is shown at the wheel of his America's Cup yacht, *Ranger*, during a trial race off Newport, R. I. The *Ranger* has shown consistently good racing form and is the probable defender of the Cup.

Franco's Flag is Raised in Captured Bilbao



Officers of the victorious rebel army of Gen. Francisco Franco are shown as they raised the insurgent flag on the balcony of Bilbao's Town Hall, after the combined sea, air and land forces of the rebels battered the Basque capital into defeat. Streets were jammed with Bilbao refugees returning to their homes when Franco's men re-established peace.

CHURCH AND STATE

London, To-day.

The World Conference of Protestant Churches now being held at Oxford yesterday approved a memorandum defining the position of the Conference in the question of relations between the Church and State at the present day.

The memorandum recognises the State as the highest secular authority in its own sphere but subordinate therein to God.

The State has the duty of maintaining law and order. It is not the ultimate source of law but is only a guarantor of the latter and the Church is consequently justified in assuming a critical or even oppositional attitude towards the State under certain circumstances.

The Church urges and calls attention to the growing de-Christianisation of States as well as their tendency to embrace within their sphere the entire activity of the individual and to attribute to themselves absolute value.

In view of such a tendency it is the duty of the Church to recall to mind her own mission which is to preach the word of God.

It is incumbent on the Church to co-operate with and obey the State.

(Continued on preceding Col.)

PATRIARCH'S DEATH

Belgrade, To-day.

The death occurred at midnight of the Patriarch of the Yugo-Slav Orthodox Church. — Reuter.

The Patriarch was taken ill earlier in the week. Yesterday, inflammation of the lungs set in and all hope for his recovery was abandoned.

KING CAROL IN ENGLAND

London, To-day.

King Carol of Rumania, who is at present on a private holiday visit to England was the guest of the King and Queen at luncheon at Buckingham Palace yesterday. — British Wireless.

The Professional Golfers' Association has decided to erect a memorial tablet in Totteridge Church to Harry Vardon, who lived in Totteridge while he was professional to the South Herts Club.



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ON LOSING THINGS

The number of absent-minded people in the world does not seem to grow less. Proof of this is forthcoming each time there is a sale of lost property at the Central Police Station. The heterogeneous collection of lost property put up to auction includes suitcases, overcoats, jewellery, gloves, various other articles of dress, cameras, pipes, tobacco pouches, and scores of oddments. At Waterloo station in London, at a similar sale recently, there figured four thousand umbrellas, a large number of mackintoshes, and among many other articles, one garden shelter. It is difficult to see how anyone can forget about a garden shelter—at least in ordinary English weather, and even if staggered by an outburst of sunshine. But much larger and more unlikely things have appeared in the list of lost property. Some years ago one of the railway companies in England had to advertise for the owner of a traction engine that had been left in the station yard and forgotten. Hong Kong, perhaps, could offer nothing like this in the way of size, but for strange and valuable articles to be left on a ferry and never claimed it was able to make a brave show with a set of false teeth and a costly diamond ring. The owner of the diamond ring, it is true, may have been a happy-go-lucky person, or one who had lost faith in the honesty of his fellow-beings, but the traveller with the false teeth, unless they fitted so badly that he was glad to get rid of them, must surely have discovered his loss almost as soon as he left the ferry. Nothing is impossible, however, to the absent-minded. There is a story of a man who one day took his small boy with him to London when going on business; and when he returned home in the evening his wife said to him, "Where's Henry?" He had left Henry in London and forgotten all about him.

Absent-mindedness is not necessarily a vice. Indeed, by very many people it is reckoned next door to a virtue, if not a sign of superior intellect! Have not all the great ones of the earth—professors, poets, philosophers, scientists, statesmen—been proverbially absent-minded? Their minds are so occupied with recondite trains of thought that they can scarcely be expected to remember such inconsiderable trifles as umbrellas and gloves. Their admirers and would-be

imitators repeat with reverential chuckles the feats of absent-mindedness performed by their heroes. They point to the professor who, going upstairs to dress for dinner in a host's house, went on with his undressing and stepped into bed, where he soon fell fast asleep; and to Francis Thompson, who always had his railway ticket fastened by his friends with a string round his neck. Or they turn to science and recall Sir Issac Newton, cutting in his study door a large hole for the cat and a small one for his kitten. But the absent-minded are to be found in all ranks of mental ability. The world, in fact, can be divided into two fairly equal divisions, those who lose things, in trains or shops or anywhere else, and those who do not. Of some value to the student of human nature would be a careful and exhaustive enumeration of the persons whose forgotten goods are picked up, if only such could be obtained. We can guess, however, at the composition of that motley crowd of absent-minded travellers. But we would like to know how many professors were among them.

North China

There is ground for a more hopeful view of the North China crisis. Disposition to peace seems to prevail both in Chinese and Japanese quarters. Whether the situation is altogether satisfactory from China's viewpoint seems rather less certain. There is much talk of a secret agreement between Sung Cheh-yuan and the Japanese North China Command, but Tokyo withal, nothing is really known regarding the conditions under which General Sung agreed to the withdrawal of the 37th Division. Reliable reports suggest that Nanking is not acquainted with the terms, while leaving it to be inferred that Chiang Kai-shek would rather not know them for the present. His attitude is intelligently realistic and his counsel to more belligerent colleagues to maintain calm is undoubtedly in harmony with the line of policy which is governing the Generalissimo's decisions. China's policy for some time yet must be to preserve herself intact until she is soundly equipped for self-defence. Her efficiency in that sense to-day is highly questionable. It is not sufficient that she should be able to give a good account of herself. She probably would, even as things are. But if a Sino-Japanese clash is inevitable, delay favours China. She must wait till she is in a position which holds prospect of ending conflict once and for all. To-day that is inconceivable. However courageous her troops, military defeat would be certain. At all events, Japan would not be brought to a halt until she had occupied large territories for employment as a bargaining weapon. Chiang Kai-shek, therefore, is probably prepared to pay the price of peace demanded by Japan, unless it involves a violent alteration of the status quo ante. It does not matter, particularly, for instance, whether the Mayor of Tientsin is one individual or another, or whether Peiping is occupied by the 37th Division or the 132nd. The principle of China's sovereignty is attacked but not vitally, and as long as Japan seeks no infringement beyond this previously accepted dictation of who and what, a compromise is wise.

MINISTER DEMANDS TO KNOW SOURCE OF DARTMOOR ALLEGATIONS

Replying to Mr. D. N. Pritt, K. C., about treatment of prisoners at Dartmoor, the Home Secretary, in the House of Commons, asked his questioner for the name of the person responsible for what he described as "a baseless story."

Mr. Pritt had asked whether the system of "knocking"—waking prisoners every quarter of an hour during the night as a punishment—was still in operation at Dartmoor, was still insane.

Alleged Attack

He also wanted to know whether this prisoner had a crippled arm "as a result of an attack upon him by a prison officer at Dartmoor."

All these allegations were described as untrue by the Home Secretary.

His written reply was: "I presume the case referred to is that of a prisoner named A. H. Jackson, who in April of last year sustained a deep cut on his right forearm from broken glass."

"Find The Author!"

"The circumstances were fully investigated at the time by the Board of Visitors, whose inquiry showed that there was no foundation for the sugges-

tion that he had been attacked by a prison officer.

"The suggestion that the prisoner subsequently became insane owing to his treatment in prison is equally unfounded, but he is still unfit to leave Broadmoor Asylum. He is suffering from delusional insanity."

Of "Knocking," Sir Samuel Hoare said: "There is no foundation whatever for the suggestion that such a system exists, or has recently existed at Dartmoor or any other prison."

"I am sure you will agree," he said, "that, in fairness to the prison service, the author of this story should not remain anonymous."

BRITAIN TO HAVE A RENO?

Danger that Guernsey, Channel Islands, would become a British Reno—a place to which non-residents could go for easy divorce—is foreseen in the report of the State's Divorce Committee.

While recommending reforms, the Committee wishes to prevent the island becoming a resort for non-residents seeking divorces. It therefore asks for domicile, plus 1,500 days' residence, during the seven years preceeding divorce action.

"Collusion" Fear

Two members of the Committee refused to sign the report because the proposals "would lower respect for marriage and result in a decline in public morals," and lead to collusion.

They are the Dean of Guernsey, the Rev. A. W. G. Giffard, and one Rector. They have issued a minority report.

The majority report approves as grounds for divorce, misconduct, persistent cruelty, desertion for three years, habitual drunkenness, respondent's imprisonment for more than fifteen years, commuted death sentence, incurable insanity, unnatural offences.

R.A.F. MAY TRY FOR MORE RECORDS

It is understood that the Air Ministry is considering the possibility of attacking more world records. This follows the feat of Flt.-Lt. M. J. Adam, R.A.F., who regained the world altitude record for Britain by flying to a height of 53,937 feet.

Two more records at least are within Britain's grasp. By using types of 'planes now being supplied to the Air Force, the land aeroplane speed record of 352 miles an hour, now held by the United States, could be beaten. The long distance record of 5,656 miles, measured as a straight line, now held by France, could also be raised.

The seaplane record of 444½ miles an hour is held by Italy. Great Britain was the first country to put it up above 400 miles an hour.

LORD NUFFIELD STILL GIVING

Lord Nuffield has added to his many benefactions a gift of £146,531 to the Birmingham Hospitals' Central Appeal Fund, to defray the entire cost of the Nurses' Home and College of Nursing at the new hospitals' centre.

This is Lord Nuffield's second contribution to the Appeal Fund, to which he gave £52,000 in 1932. The amount required for the first portion of the Hospitals' Centre scheme is £1,000,000.

Of this £800,000 has already been subscribed by the public, leaving £200,000 to be obtained by the Lord Mayor's appeal. Lord Nuffield's gift will be allocated to this appeal, which means that approximately £54,000 remains to be raised.

This gift by Lord Nuffield brings the total of the major benefactions to well over £8,000,000. This figure does not include his numerous charitable gifts of less than £10,000 each.

Robles Not Going To England

London, To-day.

A denial by Senor Gil Robles, the Spanish Fascist leader, that he been commissioned by General Franco to visit London and confer with British Government leaders on recognition of the nationalists, is published in yesterday's newspapers.

Senor Robles declared that the reports concerning his intended visit to England were not in keeping with the facts.—Trans-Ocean.

The Pope, if the improvement in his health continues, will shortly resume at least a part of his audiences of newly-married couples.

AMERICAN WOMAN IN DRUG CASE

Taken from Hankow to Shanghai in the custody of Mr. Edward L. Faupel, U. S. Marshal, Mrs. Margaret Florence Evers, 43, American, is facing charges of having smuggled narcotics from Peiping to Anyang, Honan, by train on July 5 and 6.

The woman was arrested by the Chinese authorities on July 6, and, after having been held for investigation for five days, was turned over to the American authorities. Shortly after her arrival in Shanghai in the s.s. Yulin, bail of U.S. \$10,000 was fixed for her.

According to the Chinese officials, occupants of the Kuang Sheng Hospital in Anyang, where she stayed, became suspicious of her baggage and the Chinese Police were notified. On examination, two of her three bags were found to contain narcotics. In one bag were six packages of heroin, each weighing 25 ounces, and in another were 10 packages of narcotics.

Mrs. Evers was said to have told the police that the two bags belonged to one of her Chinese students named Cheng Chia-shun. When she left Peiping for Anyang for medical treatment, Cheng approached her and left the two bags in her compartment.

The American woman said she was born in San Francisco and came to Shanghai nine years ago as a private English teacher. Her husband died fourteen years ago.

In 1932, she left for Peiping, where she stayed at No. 2 Yang Yi Hutung, giving English lessons to Chinese students. She left Peiping for Anyang on July 5.

BRITAIN'S FAST NEW BATTLESHIPS

The description of the five new battleships of the King George V. class, by Sir Thomas Inskip, Minister for Co-ordination of Defence, in a speech in London "as the best protected" vessels of this type yet built, is fully borne out by unofficial but reliable details of the class.

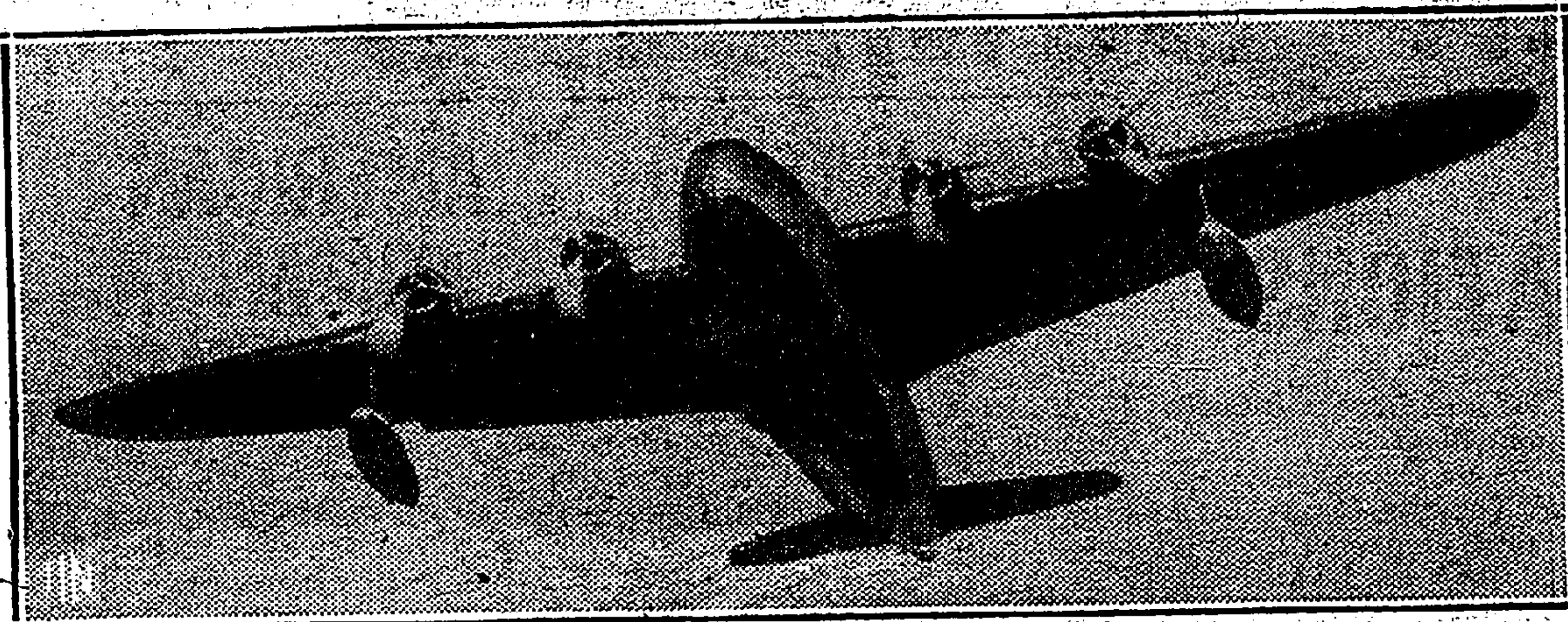
They are designed to withstand the heaviest punishment by gunfire, air bombs, and underwater attack, not only without sinking, but without serious loss of fighting efficiency. To this end an entirely new system of protection has been evolved, based largely on actual experiment, including tests made by the Admiralty in collaboration with the Royal Air Force.

It is understood that side and deck armour, bomb-proof control stations, and anti-torpedo and mine defence account for at least 40 per cent. of the total displacement of 35,000 tons. Hitherto the greatest proportion of weight devoted to protection in a British ship was 34 per cent. in the battle-cruiser Hood.

The King George V. is to have a speed of 30 knots, as compared with the 25 knots of the Queen Elizabeth class, hitherto our fastest battleships.

Although stress has been laid on their unique defensive powers, they are designed primarily for offensive tactics. Their great speed will endow them with the mobility of battle-cruisers, while thanks to their extremely strong protection they will be able to engage an enemy at the most effective range of their big guns.

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Gas



The Imperial Airways flyingboat, Caledonia, which broke the North Atlantic record a few days ago and is now preparing for further double-crossings in connection with the preparations for regular air mail services between London and New York.



A new type of asbestos suit which is being served out to all R.A.F. stations, had a practical test when a fire was staged at the Fairey Aerodrome, Heathrow, Middlesex. An old aeroplane was burned for the purpose of the demonstration and the men in asbestos suits were able to reach the seat of the fire. Photo shows an asbestos-clad fireman among the flames as the plane burned furiously.



Errol Flynn and Anita Louise in "Green Light," opening to-day at the King's Theatre.

Four boys
Peak over last



Although not in office, M. Pierre Laval (above) was strongly attacked at the French Socialist Party Congress at Marseilles on Thursday.



Count Dino Grandi, Italian Ambassador in London, who has held important conversations with Mr. Anthony Eden this week.

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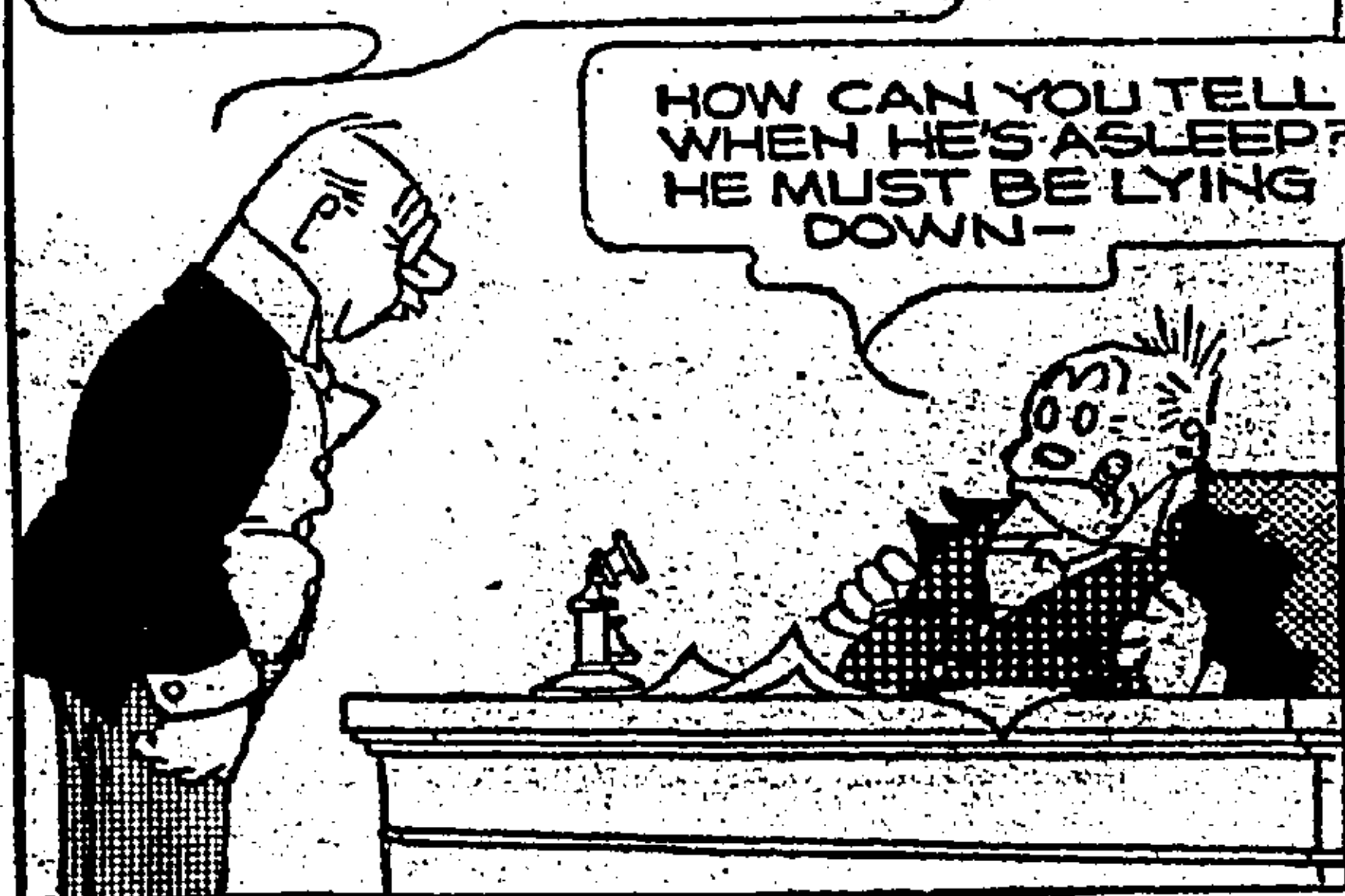
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GO—WHAT KIND
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HAD BEEN ASLEEP—
WELL—FIRST—TO
SUCCEED IN
THIS BUSINESS—
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STEADY—

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SECOND GRADE
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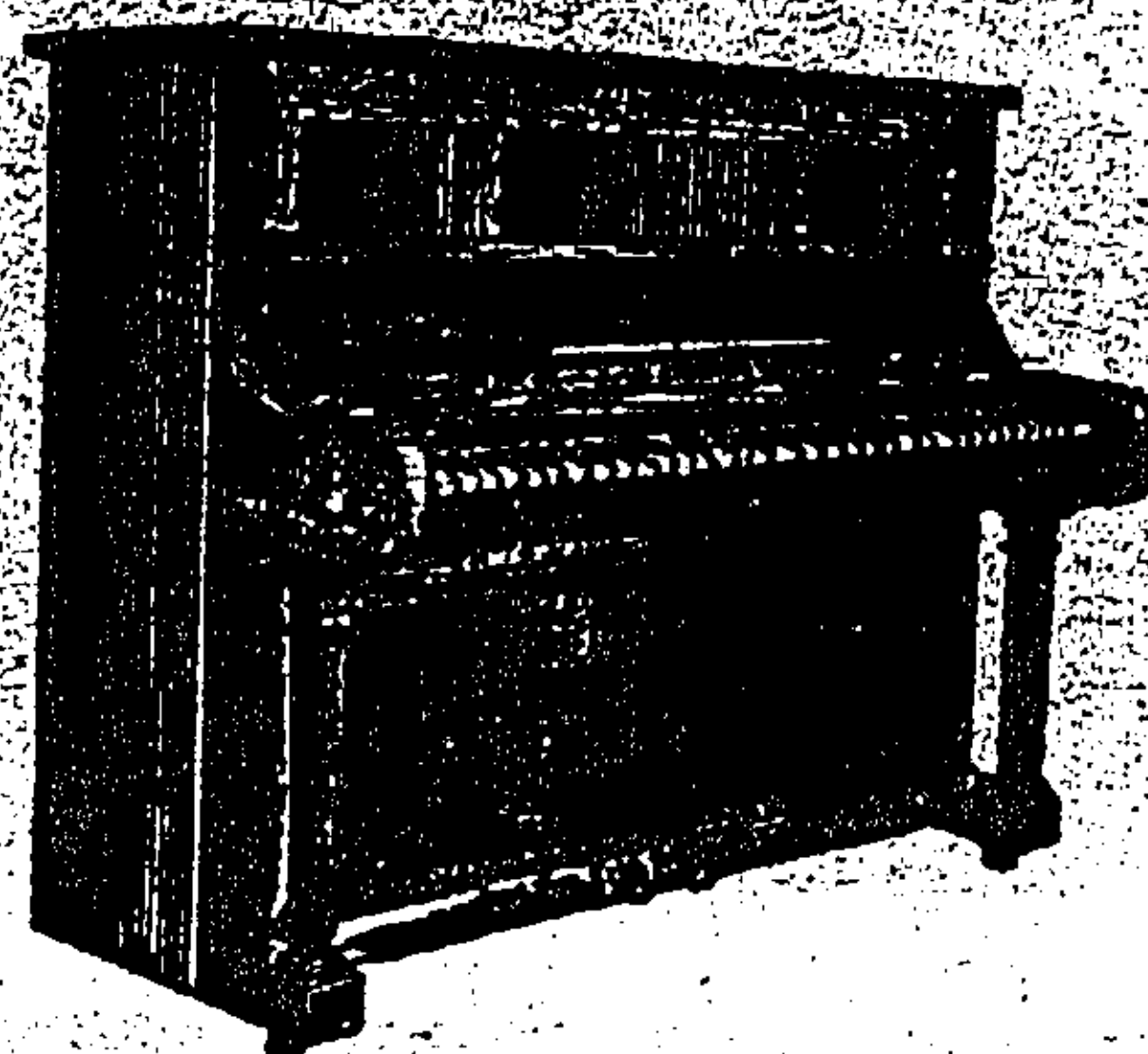


and a boat, snapped by the "Mail" photographer at Castle week-end.



Lovely Claudette Colbert in "I Met Him in Paris," which opens to-morrow at the Queen's and Alhambra.

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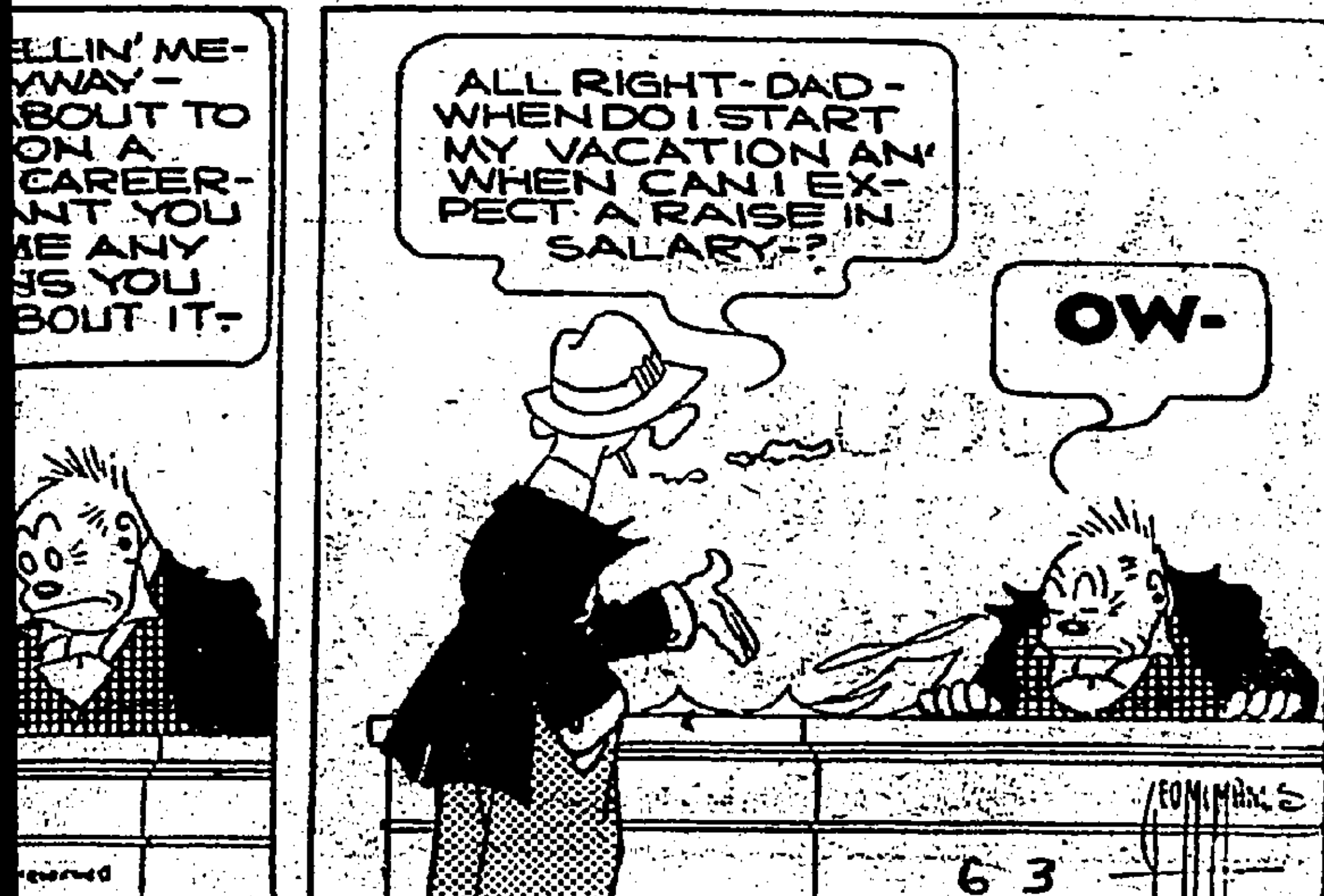
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unusual picture of American aircraft attached to the U.S.S. on, which carried out an exhaustive search for Mrs. Earhart in mid-Pacific without avail. The photo was taken when ve a display at Los Angeles.

By George McMannus

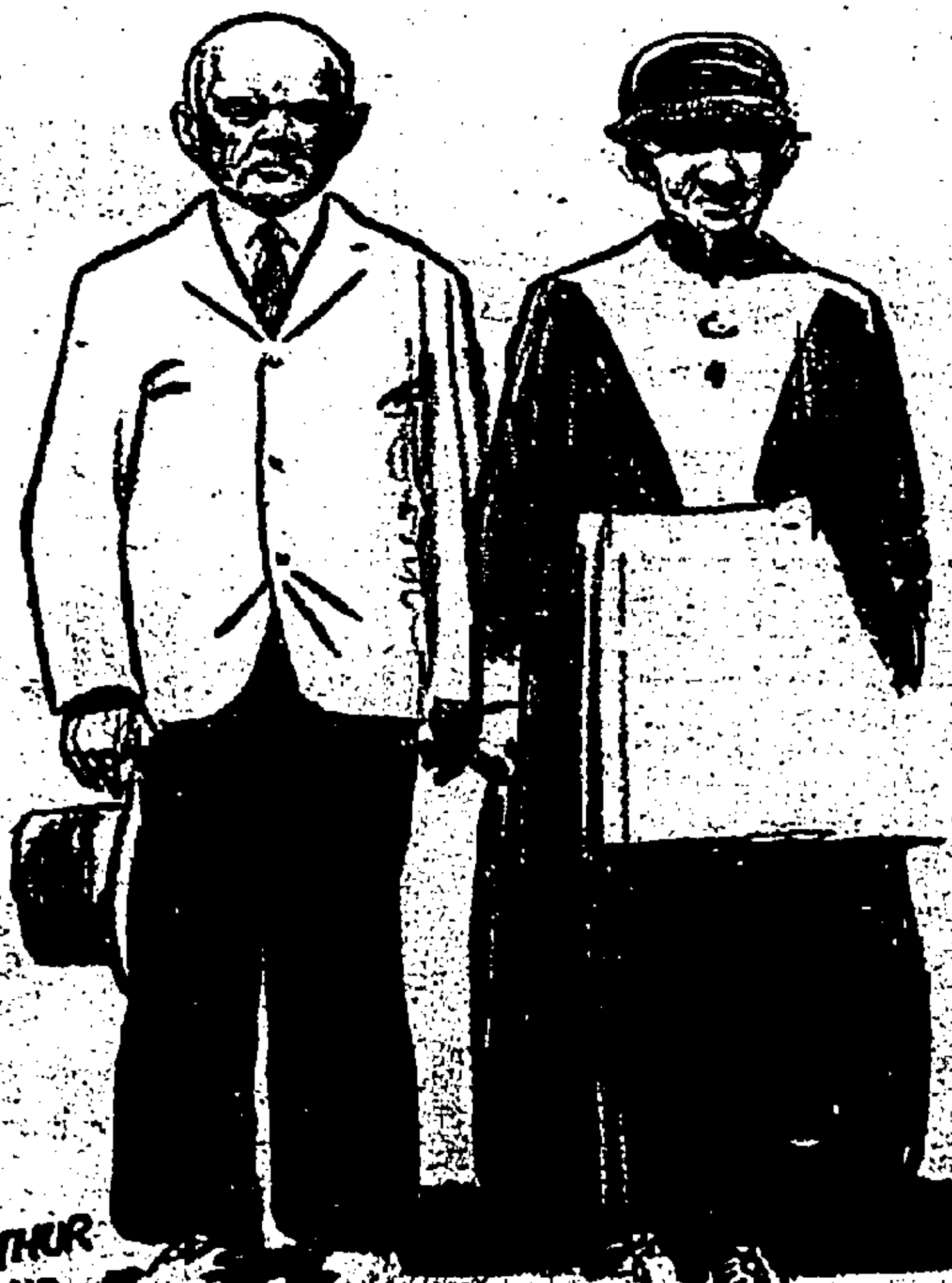


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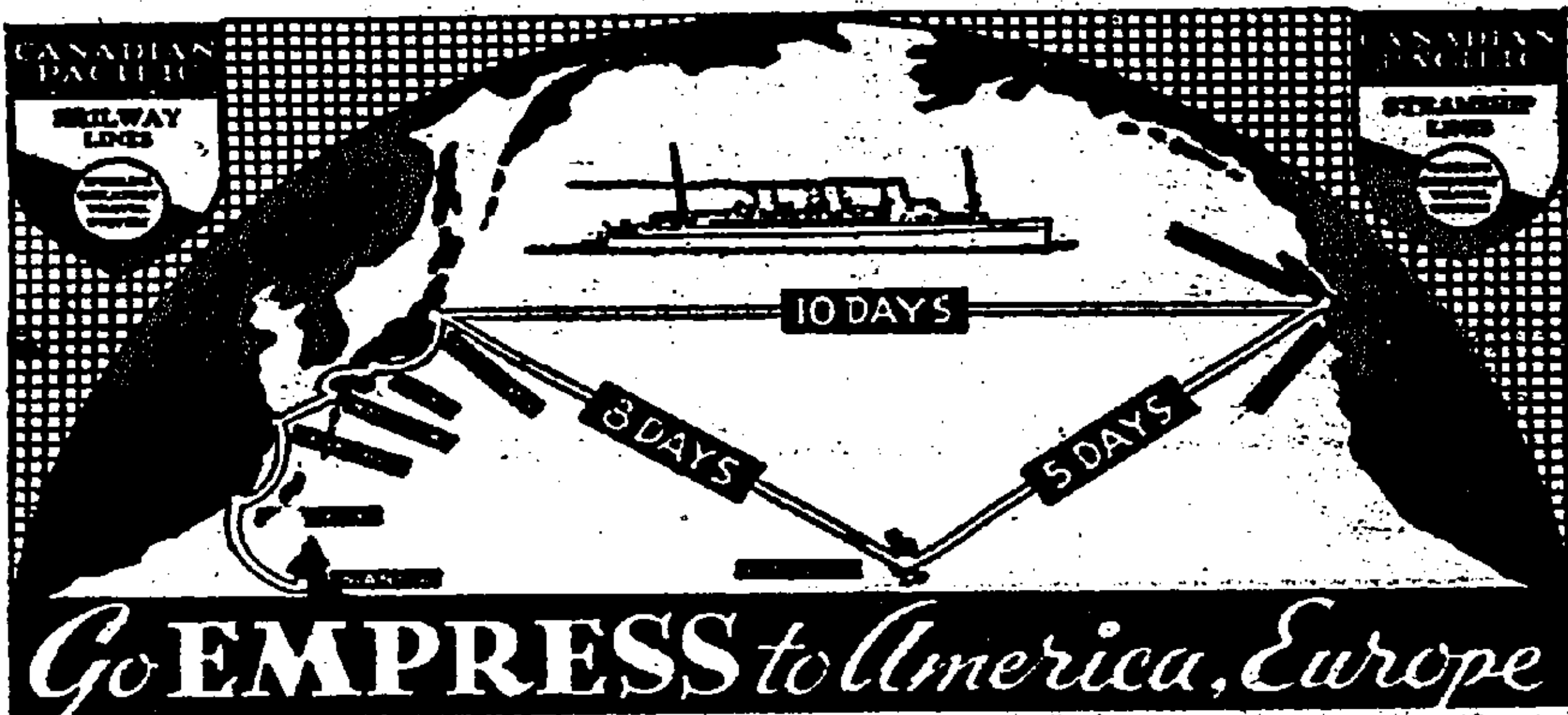
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THIS WEEK ON THE LOCAL SHARE MARKET

Messrs. G. A. Harriman & Co.'s weekly share report and market review issued at noon to-day states:—

Much has happened since we wrote our last review and in the short space of a week the local market has emerged from gloom to cheerful optimism. At no time during the worst period of the 'war scare' were local shares as weak as one might have expected, showing the inherent good quality of our best stocks and the confidence of the investing public in the security of this Colony.

Hong Kong Banks have been one of the first shares to respond to the improved situation in the North, and have here recovered to \$1.925 cum dividend. Union Insurance sold at \$625, after transactions at \$622½ and Canton Insurance were taken at \$300.

Hong Kong Electrics have buyers at \$60, after sales at the price. China Lights were sold down to \$13, but are now \$13.60 bid, and the New are wanted at \$13.30. Hong Kong Trams are \$14.75 cum and Telephones in enquiry at \$29¼. Telephones (new) sold at \$11 and have further buyers at \$11.10. Yau-mati Ferries have been well supported throughout and are again higher at \$26¾ buyers. Star Ferries however remain around \$86½ cum.

Dairy Farms are \$26¼ buyers after sales at 26 and Watsons a firm market at \$5.30.

Cements have proved spectacular; dropping as low as \$14.30 early in the week but reaching sharply to close with sales at \$15.

Ewos are now Sh\$15½ buyers ex rights, sellers having withdrawn.

Wharves are either side of \$115 and Providents (old) active, between \$2.10 and \$2.25, after sales down to \$2. The New shares are again enquired for, after transactions at 50 cts.

Of shipping stocks, Douglas's are \$48 bid and Union Waterboats \$9.30.

Hotels have recovered a considerable part of last week's drop, and at the closing sales rate of \$6.90 are some 45 cts. better than a week

MUI-TSAI PETITION IN HONG KONG

A petition, sponsored by the Anti-Mui-Tsai Society of Hong Kong, is being placed at various centres in the Colony for signatures, after which it will be presented to the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

The petition asks, in part:

That the petitioners pray for legislation to require notification, to a duly appointed Protector of Young Women and Children, by any person who has, in his house, a young female not his natural born daughter or grand-daughter.

That such notification need not be accompanied by a specification of the status of the child in the transferred household, though the Protector may ask the notifier questions regarding the status or condition of such a child.

Watchet lifeboat was launched in a gale to assist a boat's crew from the Swedish steamer Neoid into the harbour.

ago. Lands are higher at \$35¼, as also are Realtys at \$6. Chinese Estates are wanted at \$90. Raubs are about \$11.10 buyers, sympathetically with improved demand from the Straits. New Goldfields of Venezuela however are lower at around \$5¼. Marsman Investments were dealt in from 26/10½ down to 26/- and Marsman Hong Kong China at 7/6 and 7/3; the last named closing with buyers at 6/9.

Philippine Mining. This market has been (for recent weeks) rather unusually active. Quotations dived rapidly on Tuesday and new lows for 1937 were registered. It subsequently rallied sharply on optimistic rumours overcoming the almost daily spate of bearish canards. Let us hope the "red corpuscles" will now succeed in gaining the ascendancy and put share quotations on the up grade once again; for, after more than half a year almost consistent decline, some improvement is due, and present rates for producing shares, anyway, look tempting.

Closing comment. Hong Kong market, very steady. Manila. Quiet.



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H. K. VOLUNTEER DEFENCE CORPS

Orders by Lieut. Colonel R. C. B. Anderson, M.C. Commandant, Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps, Friday, 23rd July, 1937.

OBITUARY

The Commandant deeply regrets to record the death of No. 2201 Private E. M. Sequeira of Corps Infantry, No. 9 Platoon, which occurred on 17.7.37.

I.A. COMPETITION

The I.A. Competition will be held on Monday 26th and Tuesday 27th July at 5.30 p.m. at H.Q. Competitors will parade as under:

Monday, 26th July.—M.M.G. Platoon, No. 1 (M.G.) Company and No. 3 (M.G.) Company.

Tuesday, 27th July.—A. Car Section, M.G. Troop and No. 2 (Scottish) Company.

GAS COURSE

All N.C.O.s and men who have completed the Gas Course will return their Box Respirators to the Company Stores.

PARADE

A & L Sections.—Friday, 30th July, Classes in Laying and Signalling at H.Q. at 5.30 p.m.

D.R.F. Class at Belchers Fort, 5.30 p.m.

No. 2 Improvised Battery (M Section) Wednesday, 28th July. Parade in H.M.S. Tamar for Gun Layers and Trainers.

Corps Engineers Monday, 26th July at 5.30 p.m. Miniature Range.

Thursday, 29th July at 5.45 p.m. Wellington Barracks. Searchlight instruction.

Corps Signals

Mohammedan Section will parade at Corps H.Q. at 5.30 p.m. on Tuesday, 27th July.

Machine Gun Troop

Tuesday, 27th July 5.30 p.m. I.A. Competition at H.Q. Remainder at Causeway Bay—Riding School.

Armoured Car Section Parade at H.Q. at 5.30 p.m. on Tuesday, 27th July for instruction as under:

N.C.O.s.—Machine Gun I.A. and Stoppages (competition).

Other Ranks.—Driving instruction and combined Machine Gun I.A. and Stoppages in car.

Motor Machine Gun Platoon (a) Monday, 26th July. N.C.O.s. will parade at H.Q. at 5.30 p.m. for I.A. Competition. There will be no parade for other ranks.

Wednesday, 28th July. R.S.M. T. Parkinson will give a lecture on "Discipline, guard duties, arrest and military custody". All N.C.O.s are particularly requested to attend.

Thursday, 29th July. As already notified N.C.O.s. examination will take place at H.Q. at 5.30 p.m.

(b) Two night parades for Night Riding Instruction will be held in August. The first will take place on Wednesday, 4th August on the Mainland. Parade at Jordan Road Ferry at 6.45 p.m. in uniform. Further details will be issued later.

No. 1 (M.G.) Company Monday, 26th July. I.A. Competition at H.Q.

Friday, 30th July. Parade at Corps H.Q. at 5.30 p.m. Application of Fire (2)—Fire Discipline.

No. 2 (Scottish) Company Tuesday, 27th July. I.A. Competition at H.Q.

N.C.O.s. Class will parade at H.Q. at 5.30 p.m. on Thursday, 29th July.

No. 3 (M.G.) Company Parade at H.Q. at 5.30 p.m. on Monday, July 26th for Lecture on Beach Defence.

I.A. Competition for Officers and N.C.O.s. will be held at H.Q. at 5.30 p.m. on Monday, July 26th.

Corps Infantry Summer Training Classes.—Officers, N.C.O.s. and Prospective N.C.O.s. parade on Monday, 26th July at H.Q. at 5.30 p.m. All N.C.O.s. are urged to attend.

Tactical Scheme.—The personnel as detailed are reminded of the Tactical Scheme being held on Saturday, 31st July.

Air Arm Parade at H.Q. at 5.30 p.m. on Thursday, 29th July for a lecture.

APPPOINTMENTS No. 2104 Pte. F. L. Curtis, M.M.G. Platoon, is appointed Lance Corporal w.e.f. 23.7.37.

No. 2586 Pte. W. R. K. Collings, M.M.G. Platoon, is appointed Lance Corporal w.e.f. 23.7.37.

No. 2725 Pte. J. Gardner, M.M.G. Platoon, is appointed Lance Corporal w.e.f. 23.7.37.

TRANSFER No. 2805 Pte. F. A. Waller, is transferred from Corps H.Q. to No. 3 (M.G.)

NO RADIO EMERGENCY CORPS

Amateur Plan Rejected

It is understood that the Home Office and the Post Office have rejected scheme submitted by three Scarborough amateur transmitters for the mobilisation of amateurs to provide an emergency communications network.

The suggestion was that amateurs, of whom there are about 2,000 in this country, should enrol themselves in a national scheme. In time of emergency caused by floods, blizzards, industrial trouble, or war they could maintain communication between various parts of the country.

Ordinary telephone communications might be severed by air attack or storm. There is also the consideration that many amateurs use battery-operated transmitters independent of power supplies and central power stations.

The authorities are, however, satisfied with official arrangements. In the event of war it is expected that all amateur transmission would be at once suspended and the wave-lengths used for Government purposes.

"Organise Youth For Service"

England should take a tip from Germany and organise its youth—but organise it so that youth would unite and find worthy service to do, said the Rev. B. V. F. Brackenbury, headmaster of the St. Lawrence College, Ramsgate, at the speech-day. More youth rallies were needed.

"In England we have not attempted to mobilise youth as it has been mobilised in some European countries.

"Youth's mental unrest on leaving school shows itself in the desire to rush about from place to place on motor-cycle or in motor-car, in appreciation of jazz instead of English music."

Company w.e.f. 23.7.37.

LEAVE No. 1778 Acting L/Cpl. S. A. Fowler, M.M.G. Pl., is granted leave from 20.7.37 to 31.10.37.

No. 2792 Trumpeter G. C. Fuxman, 1st Battery, A Section, is granted leave from 23.7.37 to 1.10.37.

No. 2806 Pte. Tang Tung Hoi, Corps H.Q., is granted leave from 3.8.37 to 2.9.37.

STRENGTH No. 2810 Pte. Shiu Hung Yui, No. 3 (M.G.) Company, joined 19.7.37.

No. 2811 Pte. Lam Yun Ming, No. 3 (M.G.) Company, joined 19.7.37.

No. 2812 Pte. A. E. Noronha, Corps Infantry, No. 12 Platoon, joined 19.7.37.

No. 2813 Pte. G. H. Brett, A. Car Sec., joined 20.7.37.

G. S. FRIZELLE, Captain, Adjutant, H.K.V.D. Corps.

NOTICE H.K.V.D.C. Year Book for 1937. Company Commanders are reminded that all articles for inclusion in the Year Book must be sent to Lt. C. de S. Robertson, M.M., not later than Saturday, 31st July.

AFFILIATED UNIT NURSING DETACHMENT, H.K.V.D.C. The next meeting will be held at P.W.D. Offices on Monday, 26th July at 5.30 p.m.

There will be no more parades after 26th July until the end of September.

Sgd. K. DURRAN, Commandant, Nursing Detachment, H.K.V.D.C.

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SECOND TEST MATCH STARTS TO-DAY



GOOD BOWLS PROGRAMME FOR TO-DAY

CIVIL SERVICE TO MEET HOLDERS

SECOND DIVISION "NEEDLE" MATCH

(By "SKIP")

The pick of to-day's Lawn Bowls League programme appears to be the match between the Civil Servants and Craigengower. On early season's form, I would pick the visitors as easy winners, but the Civil Servants, after three consecutive wins, are on the crest of the wave and although I have tipped the champions to get through, it will be noticed that the Cricketers beat their opponents comfortably in the corresponding match last season, and they may well repeat that result.

The K.C.C. are at home to the H.K.F.C. and stand a chance of winning, but there will not be much in it.

Club de Recreio will have an opportunity of regaining what confidence they may have lost, when they entertain the Police Club, who were compelled to rest last week on account of duties. The Portuguese will start favourites, but must not take things too easily.

Kowloon Dock team will entertain K.B.G.C., who will no doubt be out to avenge the defeat they sustained earlier in the season. Here again there may not be very much in it at the finish, with the homesters just emerging winners.

"NEEDLE" MATCH

The needle match in the Second Division will be at Austin Road where the Indians are the visitors. At Sookunpoo, last May, the Indians won very comfortably, but they will not have such an easy time this week and will have to fight every inch of ground though they should obtain the points.

The Hong Kong Football Club, after a run of failures, should be able to overcome the lowly-placed, K.C.C. especially as they are playing at the Valley, but as the latter's joss must turn soon, the Footballers must not take things too easily.

Craigengower will have no difficulty in beating the Police seconds judging by their current form, whilst Club de Recreio will need to be at their best to better Tai-koo, who must be encouraged by their excellent away win last week.

WEIGHT OF GREEN

The Kowloon Football Club's green may prove a little too difficult for the Yachtsmen, who will find a decided difference in the weight of it compared with their own fast turf! On this account I forecast the home team to win.

The Civil Service having reached the top of the ladder, are not likely to drop back unless they receive a severe shock in their match at Ming Yuen, but it is not a likely event. I fancy Club de Recreio to

NEW ZEALANDERS ARE FIGHTING SIDE

WILL HUTTON BE GIVEN SECOND CHANCE

(By "REFEREE")

TO-DAY at Old Trafford, Manchester, England will meet the New Zealanders in the second Test match of the season in what is likely to prove the most interesting of the three encounters. The England eleven will be selected from the 12 players whose names were announced on July 15, while the New Zealand team will not be finally chosen until this morning.

THAT IT WAS A MISTAKE TO HAVE JUDGED THE NEW ZEALAND STRENGTH BY THEIR RECORD AGAINST THE COUNTIES WAS OBVIOUSLY BORNE OUT IN THE FIRST TEST, WHEN THEIR FIGHTING QUALITIES BECAME EVIDENT AND THEIR PLUCKY STAND RESULTED IN THE SHARING OF THE SPOILS.

I suggest, however, that they are better than their record makes them out to be. They are only just beginning to accustom themselves to the fickleness of English wickets, and their fine performances against the pick of Scotland during last week-end, and this week, makes us realise that their batting and bowling is fairly formidable.

When they first came over they were happy about their batting. They would have little difficulty, they thought, in scoring 300 or so against any side. Their bowling was weak, they feared, but runs did not worry them. Then they ran up against the usual odd assortment of wickets—fast and slow, sticky and treacherous—and the menace of the shooter or the riser threw them out of gear. Their best players failed and they could not find an opening pair, but eventually and just before the first Test they began to find their form and T. C. Lowry, their manager, batted brilliantly, while others, including Wallace, one of the most perfect stylists in the side and a great hitter, fell into line. Moloney and Roberts, heroes of the first Test, whose

stand of 104 saved a follow-on and certain disaster, were also prominently featured.

The visitors' bowlers began to reap a harvest in wickets and Gallichan, who has been most prominent against Scotland, Cowie and Roberts, who is a most useful medium-paced bowler, also came into the limelight.

The New Zealanders are fighters, and I feel that they will be at their best to-day. We have seen other teams improved out of all recognition by the challenge of the big occasion, and the Tourists perform similarly in the last Test.

The England selectors have obviously taken the same view, for they have very properly paid New Zealand the compliment of picking experienced and representative players.

TWO POINTS

Two points about to-day's England side will be watched with particular interest... Robins' captaincy and possibly Hutton's second appearance for his country as an opening bat. There seems to be no reason to doubt Robins' capabilities as a captain, and if he is successful this season we shall probably find him in charge against the Australians next season.

Hutton's unhappy experience in his first Test match was the natural sequence of a week of phenomenal scoring. He must have been tired, and reaction was hardly surprising, for no player can go reeling off the hundreds indefinitely. Hutton has no cause to be upset. His place is assured, and New Zealand will have seen quite enough of him before the summer is over. He is too promising a player to be written off because of his failure, but the selectors must be a little uneasy.

Paynter is another batsmen we shall watch hopefully. If Leyland's run of bad luck continues we shall need Paynter next year against the "Aussies."

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F. R. Brown, the Surrey amateur, above, makes a re-appearance in an England Test eleven, against the New Zealanders to-day at Old Trafford, Manchester.

GODDARD JUSTIFIES TEST SELECTION

Brilliant Bowling Against Essex HOME CRICKET

London, To-day.

First class cricket matches which concluded yesterday were featured by remarkably low scoring, probably due to bad weather. One match was abandoned before two innings had been nearly completed.

Yorkshire and Sussex, most prominent teams of the season, were both held, the former having to be content with first innings points against Glamorgan, while Sussex also took first innings points against Leicester.

Best individual feat is credited to Goddard of Gloucester. Evidently out to show that selection for England against the New Zealanders in the Test Match which starts to-day was more than justified, this brilliant bowler captured a total of 11 wickets in the course of the game against Essex to enable Gloucester to score a brilliant victory after a sporting declaration.

Scores as cabled by Reuter are:—

At Maidstone, Lancashire beat Kent on the first innings. Lancs.—235 (Watt 5 for 68) and 283 for 8 dec. (Iddon 99). Kent—126 (Pollard 5 for 34) and 36 for 1.

At Bristol, Gloucester beat Essex by 119 runs. Gloucester—150 (Nicholls 7 for 61) and 205 for 5 dec. Essex—170 (Goddard 6 for 58) and 666 (Goddard 5 for 22, Sinfield 5 for 77).

At Wells, Somerset beat Hampshire by 69 runs. Somerset—315 for 9 dec. (Gimblett 141) and 241 for 4 dec. Hants—230 (Walker 99 not out; Wellard 5 for 50) and 257.

At Cardiff, Yorkshire beat Glamorgan on the first innings. Yorks.—255 (Yardley 98, E. Davies 5 for 57) and 103 for 5 dec. Glamorgan—150 (Verity 5 for 38) and 104 for 5.

At Lord's, Middlesex beat Worcester by 214 runs. Middlesex—248 and 275 for 4 dec. Worcester—156 and 153 (Smith 5 for 61).

At Hove, Sussex beat Leicester on the first innings. Sussex—351 and 173 for 4. Leicester—236 (Armstrong 103, James Parks 5 for 32).

At Northampton, the match between Northants and Notts was abandoned with scores as follows: Northants—228. Notts—116 for 0.

SKIP'S FORECAST

FIRST DIVISION			
C.S.C.C.	(81)	C.C.C.	(60)
K.C.C.	(—)	H.K.F.C.	(—)
C. de R.	(73)	P.R.C.	(52)
K.D.R.C.	(46)	K.B.G.C.	(69)
SECOND DIVISION			
K.B.G.C.	(—)	I.R.C.	(—)
H.K.F.C.	(—)	K.C.C.	(—)
C.C.C.	(—)	P.R.C.	(—)
T.R.C.	(—)	C. de R.	(—)
THIRD DIVISION			
K.F.C.	(—)	R.H.K.Y.C.	(—)
*H.K.E.R.C.	(63)	C.S.C.C.	(48)
C.C.C.	(—)	C. de R.	(—)
H.K.F.C.	(—)	T.R.C.	(—)

(* In second division last season). Figures in brackets denote the result of the corresponding game last year.

DAVIS CUP CHALLENGE ROUND

OPEN SINGLES UNPLAYED TIES ARRANGED

Open Pairs Final
Next Tuesday

At a meeting of the sub-committee of the Lawn Bowls Association yesterday the dates of unplayed First Round ties in the Open Singles championship and the Final of the Open Pairs Competition were arranged:—

The following is the programme for the week:—

OPEN PAIRS (FINAL)

Tuesday

J. A. Luz and R. F. Luz v A. M. Omar and U. M. Omar. (Kowloon Bowling Green Club).

Umpire:—Mr. J. Russell.

OPEN RINKS (SEMI-FINAL)

Sunday, August 1

J. R. Soares, J. W. Leonard, L. C. R. Souza and C. S. Rosset (skip) v K. M. Omar, A. M. Omar, A. A. Razack and U. M. Omar. (Hong Kong Football Club).

J. Watson, C. B. Hosking, R. G. Graig and A. Hyde-Lay (skip) v H. Gittins, S. Houghton, A. H. Basto and B. Basto (skip). (Civil Service Cricket Club).

OPEN SINGLES (FIRST ROUND)

Monday

J. Watson v H. Overy
G. H. Sherriff v C. B. Hosking
S. Randle v R. O. Read
J. R. Soares v W. L. Walker
(Club de Recreio).

J. Pau v S. Forrest
W. Hayward v J. Russell
(Hong Kong Football Club)

J. Cook v S. Eccleshall
J. Hoosen v A. W. Grimmitt
(Civil Service Cricket Club)

T. R. Hunter v H. A. Alves
(Kowloon Bowling Green).

U. M. Omar v J. J. Basto
S. M. White v O. M. Omar

F. Goodwin v R. F. Luz
(Kowloon Docks Recreation Club)

"D" DIVISION LAWN TENNIS ENCOUNTERS

Wins For Army And
Chinese R.C.

Two fixtures in the "D" Division of the Colony Lawn Tennis League were decided yesterday afternoon, when the Army Tennis Club beat the Indian Recreation Club by the odd set in nine, and Chinese Recreation Club beat the Civil Service Cricket Club by 2½ sets to 1½.

The following were the results:—

I.R.C. LOSE

At Sookunpoo, the Indian Recreation Club lost to the Army Tennis Club by 4 sets to 5.

A. M. Rumjahn and T. Ali (I.R.C.)

lost to Land and Wilson 3-6

lost to McAlindon and Moore 4-6

beat Pittan and Tudor 7-5

A. R. Suffiad and M. Hassand (I.R.C.)

beat Land and Wilson 6-4

drew with McAlindon and Moore 6-6

beat Pittan and Tudor 6-1

S. A. R. Bux and M. L. Razack (I.R.C.)

lost to Land and Wilson 3-6

drew with McAlindon and Moore 6-6

lost to Pittan and Tudor 3-6

C.R.C. BEAT C.S.C.C.

At the Valley, Chinese Recreation Club beat Civil Service by 7½ sets to 1½.

Wood and Skinner (C.S.)

lost to Wei Chung and Peter Kwok 2-6

lost to M. K. Pau and F. Y. Tse 3-6

lost to S. F. Cheung and P. T. Tsui 3-6

Buckle and Rakusen (C.S.)

lost to Wei and Kwok 3-6

lost to Pau and Tse 2-6

lost to Cheung and Tsui 0-6

Bentley and Bebbington (C.S.)

lost to Wei and Kwok 4-6

beat Pau and Tse 7-5

drew with Cheung and Tsui 6-6

GREAT BRITAIN TO DEFEND AGAINST AMERICA TO-DAY

CHALLENGERS FAVOURED

5 TO 1

(By "REFEREE")

THE world's interest in lawn tennis will be centred on the Centre Court at Wimbledon to-day, where Great Britain will defend her Davis Cup championship title against the challenge of the United States, who are 5 to 1 favourites at the moment of writing.

THE LAST TWO OCCASIONS ON WHICH GREAT BRITAIN MET THE UNITED STATES IN THE CHALLENGE ROUND WERE IN 1934, WHEN THE HOLDERS WON BY 4 MATCHES TO 1, AND IN 1935, WHEN THEY OBTAINED A CLEAN SWEEP, THE THIRD TIME IN THE HISTORY OF THE SERIES, HAVING PERFORMED THE FEAT IN THE 1905 AND 1906 SEASONS.

The results of the recent Wimbledon, or rather All-England Championships at Wimbledon must have a bearing on the result of the Challenge Round, particularly as Great Britain's team has been materially weakened by the inability of G. P. Hughes to partner C. R. D. Tuckey in the Doubles, through business reasons.

DAVIS CUP CHALLENGE ROUND DRAW

Austin To Meet Frankie
Parker

(Special To "China Mail")
London, To-day.

The draw for the Challenge Round of the Davis Cup between Great Britain, the holders, and the United States, was made yesterday morning and resulted as follows:

TO-DAY

H. W. Austin (Britain) v F. Parker (U.S.A.).

C. E. Hare (Britain) v Donald Budge (U.S.A.).

MONDAY

C. R. D. Tuckey and F. H. D. Wilde (Britain) v Donald Budge and Gene Mako (U.S.A.).

TUESDAY

C. E. Hare (Britain) v F. Parker (U.S.A.).

H. W. Austin (Britain) v Donald Budge (U.S.A.).

The American team has dropped Bitsy Grant from the combination which defeated Germany by 3 matches to 2 in the Inter-Zone Final at Wimbledon.—Trans-Ocean.

KOWLOON TONG FOUR DEFEAT INDIAN RINK

In the remaining Quarter Final game of the Open Rinks Lawn Bowls competition yesterday, A. R. Minu's rink was defeated by B. Basto's four by 27 shots to 18 after Basto had led 12-10 at the 11th head.

H. Gittins
S. Houghton
A. H. Basto
B. Basto
(Skip)

A. H. Rumjahn
S. M. Rumjahn
A. O. Madar
A. R. Minu
(Skip)

27 (Skip)

18

Two newcomers to the Great Britain team are Charles E. Hare, who has been in the lime-light these past three months, and F. H. D. Wilde, Hare's doubles partner, the two having reached the final of the Men's Doubles at Wimbledon last year, when they lost to G. P. Hughes and C. R. D. Tuckey.

Hare's brilliant performance against Henner Henkel, the reigning French and German champion, in the Fourth Round of the Men's Singles at Wimbledon, when he led the German 2 sets to 1, will give British enthusiasts some courage and hope of a possible victory, while Austin's grand fight against Von Cramm, in the Semi-Final Round, is also an indication that Great Britain will go down fighting, if they go down at all!

THE DOUBLES PAIR

At the moment it very much looks as if "Bunny" Austin and Charles Hare will be asked to carry the burden of singles, while Tuckey will pair up with Frank Wilde, as the Doubles, team, but on the other hand there is the remote possibility

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SECOND TEST MATCH STARTS TO-DAY

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SEVEN FINE BATSMEN

To-day's England side is capable of playing most attractive cricket. Barnett, Hammond, Hardstaff, James Parks, Ames, Paynter and Robins—there are seven batsmen who can make a summer afternoon rich with delight and beauty, and the New Zealanders, once they get going, know how to put the bat to the ball with proper aggression.

A few words about the New Zealanders. Wallace's innings of 56 for the New Zealanders in their second knock against England in the first Test, made at a most critical time, was particularly plucky. He had a broken finger in the Middlesex match and he took three really nasty cracks on his injured hand, but went on in great pain to make the England bowling look second rate!

Cowie bowled extremely well,

VOLUNTEERS' AQUATIC CHAMPIONSHIPS

Good Sport At V.R.C.
Anticipated

Some very exciting swimming should be witnessed in the V.R.C. pool to-night when the annual Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps aquatic championships will be held, commencing at 9.30 p.m., to be followed by a dance and prize giving immediately afterwards.

The following are the main events:—

300 YARDS TEAM RACE

(Teams of 6 Men)

Corps Infantry:—A. A. da Roza, E. B. da Roza, G. Souza, L. A. Soares, B. Gosano and E. M. Marques.

Mobile Machine Guns:—G. M. Miller, G. Fowler, S. Fowler, R. Wood, J. Sloan and C. Sloan.

Static Machine Guns:—T. Kew, S. Lee, M. Long, N. Lee, H. Wing Lee and Shiu Hung Yui.

Coast Defence:—A. Hussain, F. Anslow, H. Millington, S. Bux, A. Leppard and W. Gardner.

50 YARDS HANDICAP RACE

F. Simpson, A. Leppard, D. Leonard, Zimmern, A. Ismail, H. Wing Lee, A. Hussain, B. G. L. Oliphant, W. Gardner and S. Bux.

NURSING DETACHMENT

CHAMPIONSHIP, 50 YARDS

Mrs. E. Begg, Miss A. Dowbiggin, Miss J. Parkinson, Miss D. Wallace, Miss J. Buchanan, Miss D. Young, Miss J. Seath and Miss N. Witchell.

HIGH DIVING

Corps Infantry:—L. A. Roza, G. Mackintosh and G. A. Pinna.

Mobile Machine Guns:—E. Fowler, J. M. Miller and J. Sloan.

Static Machine Guns:—S. Lee, N. Lee and S. H. Choo.

Coast Defence:—S. Bux, H. Millington and A. Hussain.

OFFICERS v SERGEANTS RACE

Officers:—Lt. F. W. T. Ross, Lt. R. M. Wood, 2/Lt. J. Watson and 2/Lt. L. d'Almada.

Sergeants:—Sgt. W. Stoker, Sgt. J. Tetley, Sgt. B. Baptista and Sgt. V. White.

200 YARDS MEDLEY RELAY RACE

Corps Infantry:—E. Cunha, E. B. da Roza, E. M. Marques and A. A. da Roza.

Mobile Machine Guns:—G. Fowler, R. Wood, J. Sloan and J. Miller.

Static Machine Guns:—N. Lee, S. Lee, B. G. L. Oliphant and T. Kew.

Coast Defence:—A. Hussain, W. Gardner, D. Leonard and F. Anslow.

with just that extra bit of fire which a Test match so often kindles, and while the wicket was green in the first hour, he was really lively and dangerous.

CATCHES MUST BE HELD

Vivian, the slow left-hander, was also uncommonly good and unlucky at that. Catches must be held in this class of cricket and if New Zealand had taken all their chances, difficult though some of them were, England might well have been struggling for runs instead of being on top.

Newcomers among the England selections are James Smith, the Middlesex fast bowler, and Wellard, one of the mightiest hitters in England and a delight to watch. Not much has been seen of Wellard this season, although he was most prominent with several outstanding innings towards the close of the last season.

Whatever the outcome of to-day's play, the match promises to be the most interesting of the series.

The England eleven will be selected from the following:—

R. W. V. Robins (Captain), F. R. Brown, Hammond, (W. R.), Barnett, Ames, Paynter, Hardstaff, Hutton, Smith (James), Wellard, Goddard and Parks (James).

BRITAIN'S POOR RYDER CUP START

KING & REES GIVEN IMPORTANT BERTHS IN NATIONAL TEAM

"INVINCIBLES" CRASHED VERY BADLY

(By GEORGE GREENWOOD)

Southport, June 30.

GREAT BRITAIN has made an indifferent start in the Ryder Cup match against America, which opened on the Ainsdale course here to-day. Of the four foursomes, Britain only won one, losing two and halving the other. America thus obtained a valuable lead of one point. In order to win the match Britain must win five of the eight singles which will be played to-morrow. This is a formidable but by no means a hopeless task, as was shown in the 1929 match at Moortown.

For the singles there are some unexpected changes in the British team. Charles Whitcombe, the captain, has left himself out, as he did at New Jersey in 1935, and has dropped W. J. Cox, who played well in to-day's foursomes, although in a losing partnership. For these two vacancies Whitcombe has brought in S. L. King and Alfred Perry, both individualists and dour fighters. In the American team Walter Hagen has replaced Revolta by Sam Snead, runner-up in the United States championship. Aged 24, he is the youngest member of the side.

An even greater surprise is the placing of Henry Cotton as No. 4 in the team, particularly when most people had expected that he would play near the top.

Never before have two assistants — King and Rees — been allocated such responsible positions in a national team. King, for example, is meeting Densmore Shute, who holds a two years' unbroken record in match play.

It would be idle to pretend that the result of the foursomes was anything but disappointing. Padgham and Cotton, regarded as an almost invincible partnership, crashed badly. Both played far too many destructive shots, and Padgham, at the vital stages, missed putts which are commonly known as "sitters."

There can be nothing but unstinted praise for Rees, aged 24, and the youngest member of the team. Playing in his first international match, he saved his game as much by a wonderful display of calm courage as by a splendid exhibition of golf, especially in the critical stages.

The only success was gained by Alliss and Burton, who pulled a desperate match out of the fire. In this game Alliss was the dominating figure.

"INVINCIBLES" CRASH
Winning two of the first three holes, both in birdies, Cotton and Padgham, the leading British pair, appeared set for an easy victory. But their early brilliance flattered only to deceive. For seven consecutive holes they failed to reach the green in the proper figures, and so could not take full advantage of the Americans' many mistakes.

Cotton, in particular, was below form, hitting many iron shots flatly, well wide of the objective. The high wind seemed to disturb the British players just as much as it did their opponents, and their judgment of distance was frequently at fault.

The British couple for once played a hole in orthodox fashion and

won the 11th in 4 to 6, Dudley completely fluffing a simple approach. They went further ahead at the 14th, where, after Padgham had bunkered his tee shot, Cotton holed from six yards for a 4.

FATAL ERRORS
The British players made two fatal blunders which cost them their lead. At Gumbleys — the famous 16th, Cotton once again pushed out an iron and the Americans were nearer the hole in 2 than the British were in 3, thanks to a brilliant No. 2 iron played by Nelson into the strong cross-wind.

Padgham made the finest shot of the round at the 17th, a spoon second, played nicely into the wind, finishing three yards from the pin. Cotton just failed with the putt, and after Nelson had run up dead to enable Dudley to get the 4, Padgham missed by one of two feet amid the groans of the spectators.

A half at the home hole left the players as they started — all square — and those two fatal mistakes were to prove expensive.

Nelson and Dudley quickly jumped into the lead after lunch, winning the first three holes. At the first two the British players made blunders, and at the third Nelson holed from 12 yards for a 3. America went further ahead at the fifth, where Dudley holed a five-yard putt and Padgham missed from as many feet.

Thereafter Britain was fighting a hopeless battle.

THE END CAME
The end came at the sixteenth, where, after Padgham had hooked his drive into an impossible place, Cotton put the ball into the cross bunker. Nelson played a glorious spoon to the green, and after playing 5 the British pair conceded the hole and the match.

They were beaten by two steady golfers who holed vital putts just when needed. Cotton's loose iron shot in the morning and Padgham's bad lapses on the green in the afternoon combined to wreck the part-



Walter Hagen, above, non-playing captain of the U.S. Ryder Cup team, stated that D. J. Rees, the young Welsh assistant, was probably the most promising of the younger golfers in the world.

nership from which so much had been expected.

Cox was the mainstay in the second match, his putting saving the side time and again. Guldahl and Manero, U. S. champions of this year and last year, got off the mark quickly, becoming 2 up at the third. At this hole Lacey hit a shot completely off the socket over the heads of the crowd.

Britain led for the first time when they won the 10th and 11th holes. At the former Cox holed from 12 yards, although they had 2 strokes to spare, while at the 11th Guldahl, who had found it difficult to keep on the fairway, once again bunkered his drive. Despite abundant practice, Manero failed to recover sufficiently well.

After losing the 13th Cox played a glorious mashie niblick to the short 15th and Lacey had only to sink a tiny putt for the birdie 2 which increased their lead to 2 again. He missed a putt of less than a yard at the 17th, and the American pair were presented with an unexpected win.

The last hole was halved in a brilliant 3, Cox once again laying the approach by the hole-side. Round in 72 and 1 up, Cox and Lacey, despite their shaky start, had given the best display of the morning.

MISTAKES ON BOTH SIDES
The first eight holes in the afternoon included only one half. First one side made mistakes and then the other.

But just when it was so necessary to increase this margin Lacey blundered and sliced his drive to the 14th out of bounds. This was all square.

At the 16th Britain took three putts, Lacey hitting the ball about half-way to the hole. America were now 1 up with 2 to play — a happy position — and they settled the affair at the 17th, where both Manero and Cox hooked their drives into the rough.

YOUNG REES THE HERO
The story of the third match was similar to that of the first — a case of missed opportunities on the part of the British player.

Instead of finishing the first half all-square, Whitcombe and Rees should have been at least 4 holes to

the good. Whitcombe, I am afraid, was the culprit.

He putted very nervously and as the match progressed the spectators were so apprehensive that, when he had a putt of 18 inches they turned their heads away.

The youth Rees was the hero of the quartet and both Americans paid a great tribute to his pluck and courage. On the way round Sarazen whispered to me, "This boy Rees is playing the best golf of the lot of us, and he has the best swing."

Neither Shute nor Sarazen, particularly the former, seemed capable of steering his ball in the high wind blowing directly across the course. With a succession of wild hooks Shute put his bewildered partner into some terrible places, from which there was no alternative but to hack back to the course.

EXCAVATING!

Then, at the 14th, Sarazen hooked into the heart of a gorse bush and one could almost imagine him saying: "Now it's your turn to do a bit of excavating." But the remarkable thing about it all was that from these desperate situations the Americans managed to scramble halves. They were the luckiest people in the world.

They took the lead at the 4th where Rees, in attempting to hole a dead stymie, knocked in the opponents' ball for a 3.

Britain lost the sixth, where Rees hooked an iron — his one bad shot. Whitcombe's nervous putting streak began at the next hole, where he missed from 4ft to square the match.

SHUTE GOES TO PIECES

Neither side reached the 9th with the second shot, but Sarazen, holing from 8 yards for a 4, enabled the Americans to become 2 up. From the turn Shute's driving went all to pieces.

He hooked into a ditch at the 11th, and did much the same sort of thing at the next two holes. But, thanks to the generosity of the opponents, the Americans lost only one of these holes.

Passing a bush at the 14th a spectator espied a ball lying among the roots. Regarding it as a "find," he put the ball in his pocket, but to his horror an army of stewards came rushing up and shouted, "Put that ball back." It was Sarazen's hooked drive.

The Americans became 2 up at the 16th, where the British captain, pulling his drive into a bunker, left his partner no chance of carrying the range of sandhills just ahead. But successive mistakes on the part of Shute enabled the British pair to win the last two holes and draw level. At the 17th another vicious hook landed in the tiger country, while at the 18th, his hoodoo hole, Shute hit the second shot far over the green.

MOST EXCITING

As it turned out, this match was the most exciting of the series. Rees was the saviour of the side. Half-stymied at one hole early in the second round he bravely holed a tricky putt of 4ft for a half with the opposition a few inches from the hole. Had Rees missed Britain would have been in desperate straits.

The real cut-and-thrust business began after the turn, where the match was all-square. At the 10th Rees holed a putt of 3 yards for a 4 to save the hole.

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TWO AMERICANS REACH LAST FOUR

CRAWFORD'S PLUCKY FIGHT WITH VON CRAMM

HENKEL LOSES TO PARKER AND AUSTIN BEATS GRANT

(By A. WALLIS MYERS)

London, June 29.

QUEEN MARY, paying her second visit, was among another vast crowd, yesterday, watching a programme that maintained Wimbledon's claim to be both wonderful and weather-proof.

Yet another tradition—the honours and cheers were divided. If America placed two players in the semi-final round, one at the expense of Germany and the other at that of Australia, Donald Budge and Frank Parker earned their promotion by sterling play.

THEN ENGLAND KEPT H. W. AUSTIN AS EXPECTED. HE DID NOT DROP A SET TO "BETSY" GRANT DESPITE A 5-2 LEAD BY THE LITTLE AMERICAN IN THE SECOND SET AND A DANGEROUS THREAT OF A "COME-BACK" IN THE THIRD SET.

The fourth place, again according to the book, was filled by G. von Cramm. But how gallantly and with such beautiful stroke play, reminiscent of his vintage year, did Jack Crawford strive to check the German's progress and save Australia's claim to the championship.

These four matches must be reviewed in turn. Austin, the first to enter the Centre Court a week ago, was the first to enter the semi-final. He did not beat Grant with the same fluent ease that characterised their previous meeting at Eastbourne a year ago; but he was steadfast under galling sniping and shrewd enough to press his moral advantage home.

A seven-game set to Austin revealed a too defensive Grant, hoisting underbaked lobs and a neat capacity on the driver's part to singe the little Atlantan's wings if he came to the net.

Up to this stage Grant had not tumbled once, and one began to wonder whether he was experimenting with the theory that Americans are prosperous because there is no place to sit down.

GRANT RECOVERS

Then Grant, honouring the shorts which he wore for the first time in this country, raised his whole game as well as his lobs and, seeming to depress Austin by his amazing redemptions and his slant volleys when he had laboured for the opening, got a 5-2 lead.

There were visions of a long and open struggle with attrition as its watchword. But to a timely spurt by Austin his opponent did not respond. He played for safety and lost five games in a row.

Luck was against him. A ball that looked out on the side-line—a point that would have won the 12th game for the American—was deemed valid by the linesman.

FINAL STAND

Grant's heart did not work quite as gaily after that incident. He led 2-1 in the third set, but saw Austin go to 4-2 with a love game before making his final stand.

With lob and drop volley Grant saved three match balls in the eighth game, and stole the ninth because his enemy attempted drops that did not fructify.

But the die was cast, and Austin, much the sounder ground-stroke player of the two, went out from 15 in the next game.

BUDGE'S EASY PROGRESS

Budge was the next winner—the swift executioner of Vivian McGrath. The Californian has captured 15 successive sets in his five



rounds of the championship, and not one of these sets has been extended into vantage games.

If the glory of the present is to make the future secure, Budge will succeed Perry as the new champion. His service alone was too withering for McGrath to handle with any profit.

VON CRAMM STARTS WELL

The day's most stimulating encounter, rich in classic play, was Von Cramm against Crawford. Suffering from tonsillitis during the week-end, the Australian did not fancy his chance, nor, I imagine, did the crowd when the German, opening on a high note, captured the first set from three.

Crawford was covering the court quicker than last year, and his service had a healthier sting; but until he could match the length and pace of Von Cramm's ground strokes the hand looked as if it would fail the heart.

Then, in the second set, all was changed. Here was Crawford the artist of old. The deft return of service, the varied range of drive, the beautiful "fadeaway" backhand drive down the line, and the dainty drop volleys—all were revived, plus a service equal in power, if not in consistency, to the German's.

GERMAN'S TENACITY

Only Von Cramm's tenacity and extra mobility prevented Crawford from winning the second set. It looked his rightful prize when, lifting his game to a dazzling height, he broke through the German's service to square the set at four-all, and next went on to gain a 5-4 lead. The confident ace which came in this ninth game almost seemed a herald of victory.

But Von Cramm was adamant. He won his service from 15 in the tenth game, then captured Crawford's to lead 6-5. In the twelfth game Von Cramm had two set balls. He was foot-faulted on the second—a galling check. He was unsteady momentarily, but recovered to lead 7-6.

Crawford seemed to be reacting, but he rushed forward to engage in a drop versus drop rally, ended by a fine lob volley from Von Cramm, that extracted riotous cheers.

Before they had subsided, the German was two sets up. He looked as a secure as the foundations of the Centre Court. But Crawford began to underspin him with splendid talent.

CRAWFORD'S TACTICS

The mine was laid with calculated strategy, and the explosion was ominous. Crawford was out to disturb the disciplined rhythm of the German's game by such a variation of length and strength and such a mixture of spin that he could virtually call the tune.

He won the third and fourth sets to a storm of applause. It was the crowd's salute to a worthy warrior—one who was demonstrating with every game won that he had deserved a seeded place.

That his gallant effort was not crowned with success was due partly to failing physical reserves and partly to the German's stoical insistence in the hour of need.

When Crawford's service failed to save the second game of the fifth set, giving Von Cramm a vital cleavage, the end was signalled. Quietly and confidently maintaining his wonderful composure, last year's finalist hit his way to the winning post.

SECOND GERMAN IN STERN DUEL While the German champion was

waging and winning a five-set struggle before 15,000 spectators, his compatriot, Henkel, was holding the interest of 6,000 in the neighbouring court as he fought to save a five-setter against Frankie Parker.

The cheers intermingled, and Heinrich Klenschroth, the German captain, was flitting from one arena to the other bearing tidings of the adjacent battle.

Strange that, as von Cramm's cause prospered so Henkel's was depressed. Henkel lost the first two sets and won the third and fourth. When he heard that von Cramm was safe, his hold on the young American loosened. His drive seemed to come to the volleyer's racket.

Parker, trim and alert as usual, was the better match-player. He was not in the least dismayed when Henkel, throwing off his early nervousness, squared the match. Parker's forehand chops in the final set—strokes somewhat despised in his own country—were winning as many points as his more anglicised backhand.

AT HIS BEST IN DECIDER

If, as Oliver Wendell Holmes said, America is the only place where man is full grown, Parker looked the seasoned general. His service, depreciating in the forfeited sets, came to its maximum strength in the fifth. He was guarding every conceivable loophole, and when he was out of position for a full-blown drive he made the surprise half-volley.

It seems almost a pity that this earnest and courageous player must apparently be mown down by a fellow-countryman in the next round.

The women's championship yielded its last eight, and England has secured two places. Miss Stammers, Mrs. King, Miss Nuthall, and the Countess de la Valdene were among the casualties. Only Mrs. King could collect a set.

LACK OF CONFIDENCE

Coming to the Centre Court for the first time, Mme. Mathieu betrayed in the opening bout a surprising lack of confidence. She could win only one game against Mrs. King. Then her genius for steering the ball into awkward places and her resource in defence were revealed. She finished with a love set, the complete mistress of the situation.

Miss Stammers was in erratic mood against Miss Scriven; she either won the point outright or lost it through an attempt to repeat the achievement. Her return of service was lamentably uncertain, and Miss Scriven, never relaxing her grip and shining in her ground strokes, was safe after the first set.

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Miss Marble and Mlle. Jedrzejska got through with the same score. The American champion, who beat Mlle. Couquerque, champion of the Netherlands, looked as if another and other title was within her grasp.

Mrs. Sperling, Miss Jacobs and Senorita Lizana all moved forward with impressive elan, although the first found in Miss A. G. Curtis, coming from successes in Egypt and sreving strongly, a worthy opponent.

MEN'S SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP

Holder: F. J. Perry (G.B.).

FIFTH ROUND

H. W. Austin (G.B., nominated) beat B. M. Grant (U.S.A.), 6-1, 7-5, 6-4.
J. D. Budge (U.S.A.) beat V. B. McGrath (Australia), 6-3, 6-1, 6-4.
G. Von Cramm (Germany) beat J. H. Crawford (Australia), 6-3, 8-6, 3-6, 2-6, 6-2.
F. A. Parker (U.S.A.) beat H. Kenkel (Germany), 6-3, 7-5, 4-6, 4-6, 6-2.

MEN'S DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP

Holders: G. P. Hughes and C. R. D. Tuckey (G.B.).

THIRD ROUND

G. P. Hughes and C. R. D. Tuckey beat C. F. Aeschliman and M. Ellmer, 6-2, 6-3, 6-2.
L. Hecht and R. Menzel beat J. Palada and F. Puncce, 6-2, 6-2, 6-3.
J. Bromwich and C. Sproule beat Kho Sin Kie and K. Schroder, 4-6, 7-5, 6-2, 6-2.

WOMEN'S DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP

Holders: Miss F. James and Miss K. E. Stammers (G.B.).

SECOND ROUND

Miss N. B. Brown and Miss R. Jarvis beat Mrs. R. E. Haylock and Mrs. J. S. Kirk, 6-3, 2-6, 11-9.

WOMEN'S SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP

Holder: Miss H. H. Jacobs (U.S.A.).

FOURTH ROUND

Miss A. Marble (U.S.A.) beat Mej. M. R. Couquerque (Netherlands), 6-0, 6-2.
Panna J. Jedrzejska (Poland) beat Mrs. D. B. Andrus (U.S.A.), 6-0, 6-2.
Mme. R. Mathieu (France) beat Mrs. M. R. King (G.B.), 1-6, 6-2, 6-0.
Miss H. H. Jacobs (U.S.A.) beat Miss A. A. Wright (G.B.), 6-0, 6-3.
Miss M. C. Scriven (G.B.) beat Miss K. E. Stammers (G.B., nominated), 7-5, 6-3.
Senorita A. Lizana (Chile) beat Miss B. Nuthall (G.B.), 6-3, 6-2.
Fru S. Sperling (Denmark) beat Miss A. G. Curtis (G.B.), 6-4, 6-4.
Miss D. E. Round (G.B. nominated) beat Countess de la Valdene (France), 6-1, 6-0.

MIXED DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP

Holders: F. J. Perry and Miss D. E. Round (G.B.).

THIRD ROUND

R. J. Ritchie and Miss V. E. Scott beat W. F. Freeman and Mrs. W. F. Freeman, 2-6, 7-5, 6-3.
M. Bernard and Mme. Henrotin beat N. G. Fairclough and Miss K. E. Stammers, 6-4, 2-6, 6-2.
F. H. D. Wilde and Miss M. Whitmarsh beat R. A. Shaves and Miss E. H. Harvey, 6-3, 3-6, 6-3.
J. Brugnon and Mrs. D. B. Andrus beat D. MacPhail and Mrs. D. C. Shepherd-Barton, 6-3, 6-2.
D. Frehn and Miss E. M. Dearman beat G. R. B. Meredith and Mrs. J. S. Kirk, 6-2, 8-6.
P. V. V. Sherwood and Mrs. R. E. Haylock beat L. de Borman and Miss M. Slaney, 10-8, 7-9, 6-2.
G. Mako and Panna J. Jedrzejska beat C. E. Hare and Miss R. M. Hardwick, 4-6, 6-4, 6-3.

Volunteers To Meet Pui-Ching To-morrow

TO-DAY'S CLASH

(By "INFIELD")

The race for the championship of the local Baseball League has now narrowed down to two teams, the Pui-ching and the Hong Kong Volunteers and their meeting to-morrow will not only decide the destiny of the shield, but should provide some of the best play this season.

Pui Ching will start firm favourites, in spite of having lost to the Volunteers in the first encounter, while latter will miss the services of A. P. Pereira, who was injured last week. Added to this, most of the Volunteer players will be participating in the Aquatic sports and celebrations to-night, and may not be in their best form.

The Hong Kong Club will play Pui Ching to-morrow in the first game, and though the latter were beaten by 5 runs to 1 last Sunday, are quite capable of turning the tables on the Chinese.

TO-DAY'S GAME

The only game to-day is between the Hong Kong Club and the Filipinos. The latter will have Mendonza, of the Volunteers, assisting them, but are not expected to extend the Club.

Owing to the situation up North and to avoid any incidents, permission has been given to the Nippon Club to postpone all their games. If the Japanese are not able to play in another fortnight, they are willing to forfeit all their unplayed games.

DAVIS CUP CHALLENGE ROUND

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that Hare may be invited to play in the Doubles as well, with Wilde, with whom he has a perfect understanding. This of course depends upon his stamina and lasting powers. A tall youngster and finely built, Hare has everything that is called for in a match of this sort, but it is extremely doubtful whether Tuckey will be left out of it altogether.

Donald Budge, Wimbledon champion, and probably the finest player in world since Perry was in his heyday, is assured of taking two matches, while partnered with Mako with whom he won the Wimbledon Doubles title, will start firm favourites for the Doubles encounter, although an upset here is not unlikely.

U.S. SECOND STRING

The question at the moment is who will play second string to Budge. Bryan Grant's failures against Von Cramm, which was expected, and Henner Henkel, in the Inter-Zone Final, will probably rule him out, in which case Franke Parker, semi-finalist at Wimbledon and in the American Championships, at Forest Hills last year, having been defeated by Budge on both occasions over five sets, will be invited to fill the breach. This seems the most probable course which the Americans will follow.

The following are the probable teams:

Great Britain (Holders): H. W. Austin, C. E. Hare, C. R. D. Tuckey and F. H. D. Wilde.
United States: Donald Budge, Franke Parker, Gene Mako and Bryan M. Grant.

BRITAIN'S POOR RYDER CUP START

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Britain took the lead at the next, where Shute played into a bunker, almost at his feet. But Sarazen, who was acting the part of rescuer, squared at the 12th with a putt of 8 yards for a 3. Shute turned to his partner and raised his hat in salute.

None but a Hercules, as Sarazen is, could have hacked the ball from the tiger country at the 13th to within a few yards of the green. Shute, chipping over a bunker, nearly holed the shot. This was another escape for the Americans. Perhaps it was only poetic justice that Shute should miss an 18in putt to win the 14th.

DISASTROUS HOLE

The Americans' at last became one up at the 15th, where Rees pulled his tee shot off the green. The 16th was a disastrous hole for both sides. Half-hitting his spoon shot over a big sleepered bunker, Shute was trapped in the sandhills on the right.

From the rough, Rees attempted to carry the big bunker with a wooden club—a bad error of judgment, and he was also caught in the hills. In the end Sarazen had a putt of 4ft. which he missed, to win the hole. He had a similar putt to win the 17th, and again missed.

Sarazen, like the rest, was at last feeling he strain. Thankful for these escapes, the British players came to the last hole all square.

From the back of the green Whitcombe putted 4ft past, and so Rees, slightly stymied, was left with a terribly awkward putt. He holed it like a man, and the crowd gave vent to a wild cheer. The scores were: America 74, Great Britain 75.

BRITAIN'S ONLY WIN

Of the halfway results, the most encouraging was the lead of three holes established by Alliss and Burton against Picard and Revolta in the last match.

A feature of the play of the Englishmen was the splendid recovery work of Alliss from his partner's many misdirected efforts.

It was a ding-dong fight for 12 holes, America having held on to a lead of one hole, gained at the first. Suddenly the game underwent a change, Britain winning three holes in a row.

One was the 13th, where Alliss played a miraculous pitch from close to the wooden covering of a drain to within 5ft of the pin. Then, at the 14th, Burton bolted a 10-yard putt for a three after Picard had chipped dead from a bunker.

BUNKERED FROM TEE

Britain also won the short 15th, where the Americans were bunker-ed from the tee. The long 16th was halved in a magnificent par 4, and at the 18th Picard usually a safe and dependable putter, missed from a yard for a half in 4.

Britain began the afternoon round in dismal fashion by losing the first two holes, Picard putting his tee shot a foot from the pin at the first, while at the second Alliss played his one bad shot of the round—a half-hit iron.

Out in 38 to 37, the British pair were only one up, but they increased their slender lead at the 11th, where Picard was over the green with his approach. Try as they would, the Americans made no impression and, holding on grimly to their lead, the British pair halved the next six holes, to win by 2 and 1. Alliss had pulled his partner through many perilous situations.

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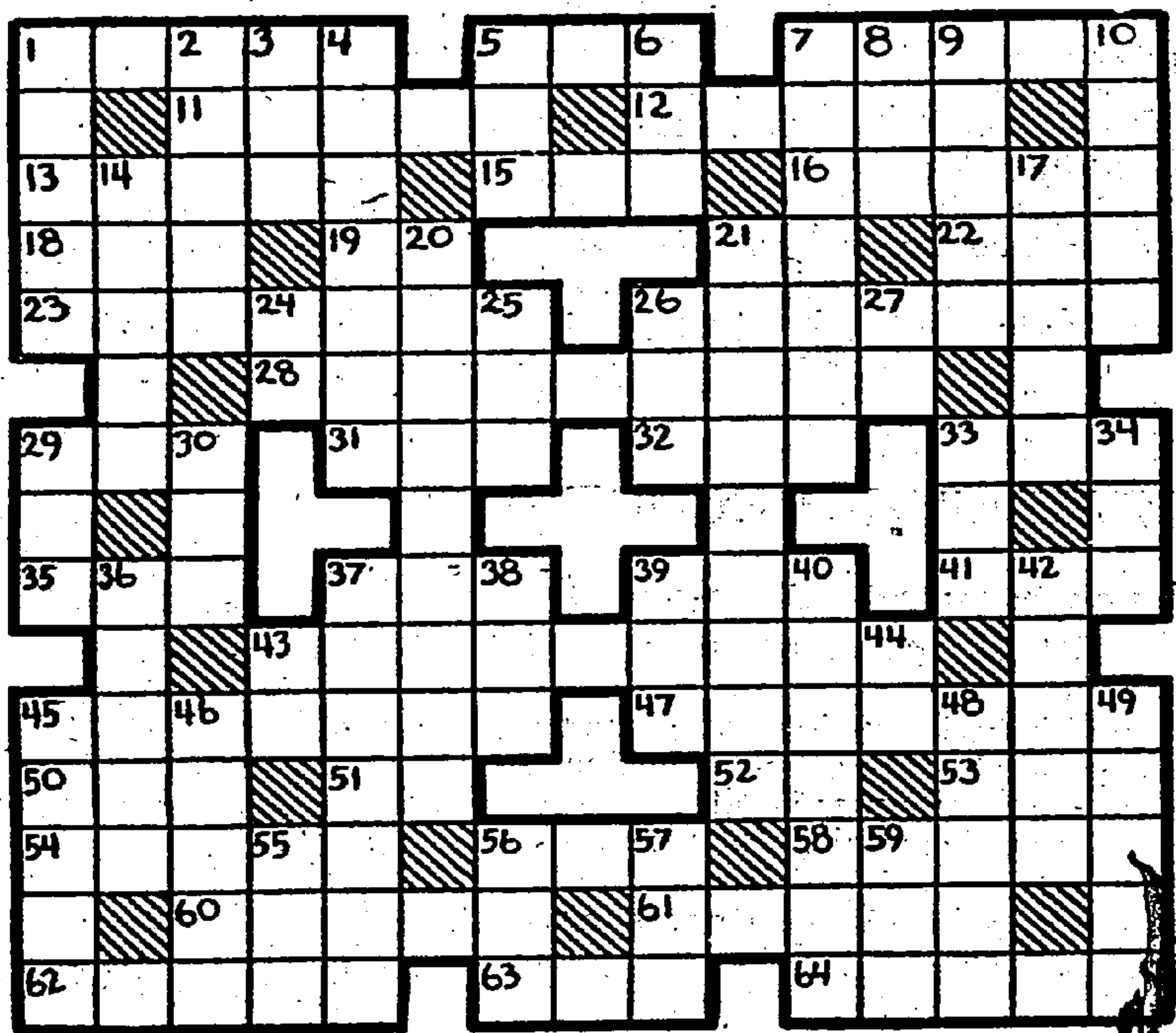
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spelling, such as harbor, plow, and altho.



HORIZONTAL

- 1-Surmise
5-Feline
7-To furnish food
11-Of from rose petals
12-A gem stone (pl.)
13-Adorn
15-Besides
16-Approaches
18-River in Poland
19-Musical note
21-Army corps (abbr.)
22-To steep, as flax
23-A relative (pl.)
26-Gratifies
28-Forever
29-A serpent
31-Maritime signal
32-Foot-like organ
33-Beseech
35-Lair
37-Observe
39-A pastry
41-Augment
43-Emaciate
45-One who provides food
47-Astral
50-Greek letter

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 51-Conjunction
52-Comparative suffix
53-Imitate
54-Repulse
56-Anger
58-Remarks
60-Small bay
61-To announce loudly
62-Ventures
63-Weep softly
64-Garden-dormouse
(Fr.)

VERTICAL

- 1-A drinking vessel
2-Gains
3-Station (abbr.)
4-Stilettoes
5-Weep
6-Small child
7-Annuls
8-A beverage
9-A Russian title (pl.)
10-Reclines
14-Showers
17-Long grass stems
20-Hydrometer
21-Mitigate

VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 24-Tellurium . (abbr.)
25-Seniors . (abbr.)
26-Soft food for babes
27-Ever
29-Assist
30-Fasten
33-A constellation
34-Young goat
36-Excite
37-Walks leisurely
38-Ever (Contr.)
39-The result of
suppuration
40-Forever
42-To arrange, as
hangings
43-A diphthong
44-The (Sp.)
45-Sealed with wax
46-Large herbivorous
mammal
48-Tardier
49-To set again
55-A compass point
(abbr.)
56-Pronoun
57-Reflux of tide water
59-Raw metal

The solution of the above with a new cross-word puzzle will appear in Monday's issue.

COMPLETE DEADLOCK ON NON-INTERVENTION

GAS MASK FACTORY FOR SCOTLAND

London, To-day.
A regional gas mask factory is to be established in Scotland, capable of producing 3,000,000 gas masks a month.
The Secretary for Scotland told the House of Commons yesterday that location of the factory and a scheme of distribution of masks from the factory was still under discussion.—Reuter.

AIR DEFENCE COST DISPUTE IN BRITAIN

London, To-day.
Municipal Corporations will not pay for the cost of air raid defence until the Government settles the question of what proportion it is prepared to contribute towards defence.

A resolution to this effect was passed yesterday by the Council of United Municipal Corporations, which maintained that the Government should pay the cost of all air raid defences.

The Government, on the other hand, produce a counter-proposal that the Government contribution should be 70 per cent. of the total.—Reuter.

Eight O'Clock Wedding

At 8 o'clock this morning Miss Gladys Evelyn Lee, daughter of Mr. Charles Lee, of Portland, became the bride of Mr. Alfredo Crestijo, son of Mr. A. Crestijo, formerly of the Eastern Extension Telegraph Company. The marriage ceremony taking place at St. Margaret's Church, with Father Page officiating.

A reception was held later at the residence of the bridegroom's father.

T. A. PEARCE IN COUNTY CRICKET

T. A. Pearce, the Hong Kong cricket skipper, appears to be playing fairly regularly for Kent in County Championship matches, although it cannot be said that he is meeting with very much success.

Batting number eight against Leicester, early this month, he was run out after scoring six runs in the first innings and was undefeated with five to his credit in his second venture.

His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, in accordance with instructions received from the Secretary of State for

BRITAIN GIVES WARNING TO ITALY

London, To-day.
It is understood that the non-intervention deadlock remains unsolved.

After three days of private discussions, disagreement regarding the procedure to be followed in discussion of the British proposals, appears to be as acute as ever.

British circles find difficulty to agree that the question of procedure should be made cause for delay, and would welcome more substantial reasons for Italy's attitude, or the Italian compromise procedure.

If Italy does, neither, it is pointed out that there will be grounds for concluding that Italy does not share the British desire for speed and the British Government may then feel obliged to abandon the proposals and adopt a new attitude towards the non-intervention issue.—Reuter.

London, To-day.
The technical sub-committee of the non-intervention committee met yesterday to consider questions connected with technical carrying out of the British proposals regarding appointment of observers to Spanish ports.—Trans-Ocean.

FRANCE LODGES PROTEST IN GERMANY

Berlin, To-day.
An energetic protest has been lodged with the German Foreign Office by the French Ambassador against allegations in the German press that detachments of the French Foreign Legion have been sent to Spain.

The Ambassador, describing the reports as "lies," expressed astonishment at their continued publication after the French official denials.

The report had appeared in the official Nazi organ "Voelkischer Beobachter."

GHOST ARMY
In Marseilles, the German press reports regarding French Foreign Legionaries being sent to Spain, are scouted at the Legion depot.

The commander of the Fort of St. Jean declared yesterday: "These legionaries are probably like the ghost Russian army which passed through London in night time during the War."—Reuter.

the Colonies, has been pleased to recognise Mr. Geoffrey Miskin as Honorary Consul of Sweden at Hong Kong.

MARCONI'S HUGE ESTATE

Rome, To-day.
It is reliably understood that the late Marchese Marconi, the "father of modern wireless," left a fortune estimated at about £5,000,000.

Half of this huge sum was bequeathed to his seven-year-old daughter, Elettra, who in addition will receive a quarter of the remaining half, which under Italian law, must be divided among the four children.

Marchese Marconi's widow will enjoy the interest on Elettra's half share during her lifetime.

It is understood there were no other legacies.—Reuter.

TELEVISION RECORD

Programme Received 83 Miles Away

A record in television range has been established by the reception of a complete programme at Coventry, 83 miles from the B.B.C. transmitter. This feat has been accomplished by research engineers at the G.E.C. works.

Though the sound part of television programmes has been received occasionally at New York and Johannesburg the greatest distance at which regular reception of the vision has hitherto been accomplished is 50 miles. The official estimate of the range of Alexandra Palace when the service started eight months ago was 25 miles.

The peak power of the B.B.C. vision transmitter at Alexandra Palace is 17 kilowatt. Experience suggests that if the power output could be increased sufficiently the service area would be greatly extended, and one of the fundamental difficulties which has handicapped television development would be overcome.

His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government has nominated Mr. John Fleming as a Member of the Court of the University of Hong Kong during the absence from the Colony of Mr. Philip Stanley Cassidy, with effect from 14th May, 1937.

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